

MONTAGUE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 3:15 PM

Montague Town Hall Annex One Avenue A Turners Falls, MA

In Attendance:

CIC Members: Gregory Garrison (GG), Chris Menegoni (CM), Ariel Elan (AE), Jason Burbank (JB), Lynn Reynolds (LR) (3:30)

Town Staff: Water Ramsey (WR)- Assistant Town Admin,

Meeting called to order 3:15PM, GG Presiding

1. Approve any outstanding meeting minutes

MOTION to approve minutes of 11/30/23, 12/06/23, and 12/13/23 by CM. Seconded by JB. CM- AYE, JB- AYE, GG- AYE, AE- Abstaining. MOTION PASSED

2. Review slate of FY25 Capital Requests
3. Sewer and manhole relining strategy
4. Consider expediting two requests to March 14 Special Town Meeting: DPW Skid Steer and DPW Ferry Road Culvert Replacement

CIC is in favor of expediting these requests to STM. Skid steer was requested last fall and DPW would like to acquire/use the machine this Spring. The culvert article would allow the project to get implemented this summer (and allow for time to bid and acquire the box culvert for a July/August installation).

5. FY24 Fair Share Amendment (Millionaires Tax) to supplement FY24 Chapter 90 by \$292,000

WR reports that DPW is expected in Feb to present a strategy to SB and CIC as to how Chapter 90 and these supplemental funds will be spent. Roads and Bridges are eligible. DPW is currently getting quotes for guardrail to address the backlog of guardrail replacement.

6. Next Steps in the FY25 Capital Planning Cycle

Meet with FinCom 1/10. Report Due March 15.

7. Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting requirements – none
8. Set next meeting date/ venue. – Next regular meeting Wed Jan 24, 2024 3:15PM IN PERSON at Town Hall. Joint meeting with Finance Committee planned for Jan 10 at 6PM.

MOTION to close the meeting at 4:23PM by AE, LR Seconded. JB. CM-AYE, JB- AYE, GG-AYE, AE-AYE, LR- AYE. MOTION PASSED

Respectfully Submitted,

Walter Ramsey