



TOWN OF HARWINTON

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Capital Equipment Committee Meeting Tuesday- January, 21st, 2020

Chairman Dave Bousquet called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Committee members present were John Fredsall, Bill Buys Jr, and Dave Bousquet. Pat Doyle was absent due to work and Jim Savenella was absent because he is in the south for the winter. The minutes from the previous meeting on July 16th, 2019 were passed out and reviewed, Bill Buys Jr made a motion to accept, John Fredsall seconded the motion and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

The agenda for this meeting was the following:

1. Review the Capital Equipment needs for the 2020-2021 Budget year
2. Review replacing unit 8 (40,000 lbs. plow truck with a patrol wing) and unit 18(New Holland Skid steer)
3. Determine the amount of money that will be needed to be budgeted to purchase new unit 8 and new unit 18.

The committee reviewed the Towns current replacement plan and agreed with Chairmen Dave Bousquet that Unit 8 (40,000 lbs. plow truck) and unit 18 (New Holland Skid Steer) should both be replaced according to the Towns current replacement schedule. The committee reviewed the figures Dave Bousquet had for the following 2 pieces of equipment. Unit 8 will be \$160,000.00 with trade in, and unit 18 will be \$ 62,000.00 with trade in. The committee also discussed purchasing a tow behind, diesel powered leaf loader to help with leaf clean up at the recreation fields and with the removal of leafs from the Towns drainage ditches along the edges of the roads. Chairmen Bousquet had a figure of \$25,000.00 for this unit. After some discussion concerning the 3 pieces of equipment, John Fredsall made a motion recommending the appropriation of \$ 160,000.00 for the unit 8 replacement with the trade in, \$62,000.00 for the unit 18 replacement with trade in, and \$ 25,000.00 for the purchase of a new leaf loader. Bill Buys jr. seconded the motion and the motion carried was then carried unanimously.

The total of this year's Capitol Equipment Depreciation is \$253,000.00, which is the amount the Town normally expends on equipment each year. The total of equipment purchases this year would be \$247,000.00. The Committee has recommended in the past for years when the depreciation amount is not reached in actual equipment purchases, that the balance be put into the Capitol Equipment Reserve Account. The members believe that it should recommend to the Board of Selectman and Finance that they appropriate \$253,000.00 for Capital Equipment this year and the balance of \$6000.00 be added to the Capitol Equipment Reserve Account, which will have a balance of \$259,689.00 as of January 15th, 2020. A motion was made by John and seconded by Bill to recommend to the Boards of Selectman and Finance for their action, a budget amount of \$253,000, for this year's equipment needs. The motion carried unanimously

With nothing else on the agenda the meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm

David J Bousquet,

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Chairman Capital Equipment Committee

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