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Minutes of September 14th Milford Fincom – Capital Sub Committee

Attendance: Fincom => Brant Hornberger, Carly Kearnan; Michael Nicholson, Joyce Lavigne & Alberto Correia Guests => Parks Department, Jim Asam, Paul Braza, Sue Edmonds, Stephanie Abisla

Parks Budget Review - items for fall 2022 Town Meeting

Review of Upcoming Library Town Meeting articles

- 1. Elevator Refurbishment
 - a. The costs have increased to \$71,000 from \$61,000
- 2. Acoustical Improvements
 - a. The Library is working with the IT Director Chris and Town Administrator to use ADA grant funds for the project.

3. Furniture

a. Furniture prices have increased to \$50,000 over three years beginning next year.

4. Fire Suppression System

a. Research into the type of system continues. The question of how to protect the Milford Room contents was held.

5. Emergency AC Repairs

- a. The system failed, putting the building's AC service at risk of failure." Sue Edmonds obtained an estimate of \$9,125 of unbudgeted repairs. This amount was too large to be absorbed into the library maintenance budget. Sue called her board and received support to correct the issue versus trying to run the library without air conditioning or closing the library. Sue then called Michael Nicholson as the Fincom sub committee chair. Michael called Alberto Correia and they agreed that the library should cover the expense as there was room short term in the budget and that she could go forward with an article at town meeting to replenish the account.
- b. A formal apology was issued to Sue Edmonds as a member of the sub committee caused an issue with the vendor performing the repairs onsite.

Review of Upcoming Parks Town Meeting articles

6. Mowers

a. The budget was set for \$35K for one mower. IT is actually \$43K for two mowers

7. Replace Sewer Truck

- a. The original budget was to replace the truck at the 2024 meeting. The truck failed inspection so it is being moved up.
- b. The cost is being increased from \$60,000 to \$70,000

8. JCB Excavator

a. The budget plan was \$240,000 to replace the truck in 2023. This is being indefinitely delayed.

9. Robotic Turf Painter

- a. We have been using a robotic painter to pain fields and it has worked o9ut well. Instead of taking 1-2 people hours to paint the fields, the robotic unit is programmed and automatically paints the field in less than 30 minutes using a single person.
- b. The proposal is to continue to rent to own until the contract runs out in May and then buy it.

10. Synthetic Turf on a field

- a. Plan is to add synthetic turf to the main field at Fino Field. The cost has escalated from the original \$1,000,000 (plus another \$250,000 for lights) to an estimated \$2,500,000.
- b. It is not feasible to have the field done this year due to the increase in cost and the addition of \$1,500,000 in cost.
- c. Questions arose over why Fino Field is kept locked.
- d. Discussion will be delayed until next year.

11. Parking Lots

a. The Parks Department would like to being planning for repaving the main parking lots around athletic fields. The initial estimate is that the total would be \$750 over three years.

Motion was made by Brant Hornberger and seconded by Carly Kearnan to approve the changes proposed. Motion was passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Joyce Lavigne and seconded by Carly Kearnan. Motion was passed unanimously.

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