

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Capital Planning Committee is charged by the Town Charter to review and recommend, or not, any department request which is over \$10,000 and has a useful life of three or more years, as well as any land purchase.

For the fiscal '07 budget we reviewed the following departmental requests: dump truck for the Cemetery Department - \$27,298, backhoe for Highway - \$80,000, and a 4WD SUV cruiser for the Police Department - \$33,000. The school requests included kitchen equipment at Hale School - \$14,675, Hale roof survey and repair - \$25,000, and Hale locker replacement - \$18,500. All of these items were recommended by Capital Planning to the Town Meeting and subsequently approved.

The Town Meeting took no action on several school articles: Air conditioning for certain classrooms at Hale School did not receive enough support to be brought before the meeting. No action was taken on a school district request for funds to replace the gym ceiling and floor and ceiling tiles at Center School. These repairs were made with funds available from articles approved by previous Town Meeting votes which had a balance remaining. Pompo driveway improvements did not receive the support of Capital Planning, and there no action was taken on this request at Town Meeting.

As we enter the '08 budget process, we welcome back Steve Jelinek who has graciously agreed to be our clerk and guru of record keeping (thank you, Steve!), and we welcome three associates: Jim Medeiros, Ross Perry, and Myie Yvanovich. In spite of associates having no vote, we welcome their opinions and their collective wisdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Lynch, Chair, Moderator's Appointee
Davis Arsenault, Moderator's Appointee
Kathleen Farrell, Finance Appointee

Steve Jelinek, Moderator's Appointee
Carole Makary, Selectmen's Appointee