

MEETING MINUTES  
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT & PROJECTS COMMITTEE  
Thursday, October 29, 2009 - 4:30 P.M. – Council Chambers

The Capital Equipment & Projects Committee members:

Romberg, (Chair); Morack, Herminath, Barrington, Way, Herter.

Others present: Henke, Besaw, O'Connell, Hager, Radke, Schlueter, Hoerth, Kempen,  
Zehms, Bart Roloff, Bodoh, Renning, Steinhorst, Rousseau

Morack/Way to adopt agenda. Carried 5-0.

Radke reviewed the format of Capital Equipment & Projects requests. There is \$1,691,713 of potential projects listed in the 2010 Budget.

Chairman Romberg requested that each of the Department Heads go through their list of potential equipment and projects in the order of priority. There was discussion and clarification of items on the lists.

Of mention:

Cemetery: O'Connell questioned the soundness of the foundation for the Brick Pillars. Zehms would have it tested and report back.

Library: Steinhorst stated that there was no immediate use for the \$25,000 that was taken out of the trust fund to pay for the building consultant. The City is considering reimbursing the fund.

Building Inspector: An aerial photography fly over is done every 10 years and has multiple uses among departments.

Fire: Drop down air and power lines would eliminate the potential hazard of having them lying on the floor. Radke was asked to look into funding for hose through the fixed cost on the utilities bills, she will report back at the next meeting.

Parks/Rec: Hoerth explained that they normally purchased the same make and model of mowers and sweepers as they can then interchange the accessories. Alternately, he is looking at a different model, as the dealer has given him a competitive quote.

Newton Blackmore State Trail will be investigated to see if funding is available through the county.

Public Works: Sidewalk program should consist of replacement of entire blocks and partial replacement where necessary.

Police: Police squads are worth more with fewer miles. If replace by year-end, trade in value would be \$8,000 per squad.

The squad radio grant expires at year-end, which funds 75% of the cost. The new radios will be compatible with the digital communications the counties must comply with by 2012.

The evidence room shelves are at capacity as DNA evidence must be kept for up to 100 years.

After discussion and clarification of items listed, the following actions occurred:

1. Morack/Herter to authorize purchase of two new Police cars, (\$52,008, net \$36,008) and the squad radios (\$24,245, net \$5,453).

Members wish to look at all options before purchasing other equipment and/or approving projects at a future meeting.

Morack/Herter to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

The revised Capital Equipment & Projects list is attached with a list of approved purchases.

Judy M. Radke  
Finance Director