## TOWN OF ENFIELD CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

## **MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2020**

**Present:** Ryan Aylesworth (Town Manager), Dan Kiley, Holly West, Sam Eaton, Eric

Crate; Bob Cusick, Keith Thomas

**Excused:** Ed McLaughlin

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

The first order of business was review/approval of the December 18, 2019, meeting minutes. Motion was made by Mr. Cusick to approve the minutes as printed. Motion was seconded by Mr. Kiley. Approved unanimously.

Next, Mr. Aylesworth circulated an updated CIP Capital Reserve Fund (CRF) cash flow summary that reflects all CIP requests submitted by departments to date. This summary sheet showed that, if all current CIP funding requests submitted by department heads for 2020 were approved, the result would be a net addition of approximately \$74,000 to the CIP-CRF. This is simply the difference between the proposed \$448,368 appropriation to CIP and an estimated \$347,975 worth of withdrawals.

The primary order of business was additional deliberation relatively to the proposed police cruiser replacements. Chief Holland walked the committee back through the projected financial savings associated with transitioning to a 7-cruiser fleet (a net addition of two cruisers) and migrating away from the customary one cruiser per year replacement schedule.

At the conclusion of the discussion the committee signaled its unanimous support for the Police Department's recommendation.

The conversation then turned to the Fire Department's proposed fire-rescue pumper. Recent Enfield ListServ posts by the Fire Chief and reporting on this matter by the Valley News were briefly discussed. The committee expressed its unanimous position that it should stand behind its earlier decision to not recommend replacement of Engine 4 in 2020, unless the Town is successful in obtaining an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) from the federal Department of Homeland Security. Mr. Aylesworth informed the committee that he anticipated that the next application round for AFG will likely open within a couple of weeks and have a deadline later in the winter.

The next meeting of the CIP Committee was tentatively scheduled for January 27 (Monday) beginning at 7:00 PM at the Enfield Police Facility. The focus of that meeting will be reviewing a draft of the CIP Plan (2020-2025) and Town Meeting presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.