

Town of Williamsburg  
Capital Planning Committee  
MINUTES  
March 7, 2009

Location: Highway Department Garage

Present: William Sayre, George Mathers,  
Absent: Bob Buchele, Gordon Allen, Pete Mahieu  
Guests: Fred Goodhue, Bill Turner, Dave Mathers

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 am.

Bill Turner showed the meeting the new truck #6 and plow that was recently purchased and answered questions about its operation and use. The department performs most of its own maintenance which is performed on a schedule, as well as periodic cleanings after storms.

Bill also showed the Ford 550 that has been requested to be replaced. Surface rust was noted on all parts of the vehicle. The hydraulics and electrical systems are ok and the plan is to reuse the current sander. The motor is skipping and it is thought to be a bad injector. There is an exhaust leak, and the second gear synchronizer is not working. The truck is used in the summer for carrying materials to work sites and is a main line plow in the winter, used in tandem with the larger truck. There is 56,000 miles on the odometer and the truck is out 5 days a week. It might be possible to stretch another year of service out of it. Currently, Bill is thinking that it would be replaced with a Dodge with a Cummins diesel in it.

The sweeper, which is not operational, was replaced with a rental last year and that has worked out well.

The paperwork for the addition to the garage is in the Town's Procurement Officer's hands at the moment. The possibility of a pre-engineered building is being explored and it is expected that the cost will be kept to the \$250,000 that was appropriated at town meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

William Sayre  
Chair