

Newtown Board of Education
CIP/Facilities/Finance Committee Minutes
June 4, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Leidlein called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

PRESENT: Debbie Leidlein, Dan Cruson, Dan Delia, Ron Bienkowski, Gino Faiella

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 1 Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Leidlein moved to approve the minutes of May 8, 2018. All in favor.

Item 2 CIP

Mr. Bienkowski presented two schedules of the CIP.

The first schedule is for Years 1-5 which the committee discussed previously and included updates made based on Mr. Faiella's cost estimates for HOM lighting efficiency in year 5. This project was a TBD previously. The Reed efficiency gas boilers for year 4 was previously at a higher cost of \$2.1M, and has now been reduced to \$1.4M. Hawley and the High school projects have now been updated to reflect the new cost numbers with the added energy incentives to show how they net out.

The second schedule Mr. Bienkowski presented is for years 6-10 of the CIP, which the Town's Finance committee suggested. This second schedule was developed by Mr. Bienkowski and Mr. Faiella, with projects they thought would become important during this time frame. Some of the costs are listed as a TBD because they are just beyond the ability to estimate at this time; such as the elevator at the Hawley School in year 8. We would need someone to come in and give us numbers and, to determine whether this project would be possible.

Mrs. Leidlein asked how the Town estimates their numbers 10 years out. Mr. Bienkowski stated he was not aware how but he would follow up on this.

Mr. Delia asked about years 4 and 5 and if there was something we could push forward as the total annual numbers seem low. Mrs. Leidlein stated she was more concerned about years 2 and 3 as they seem high and so there should be more of a balance. Mrs. Leidlein also stated over the years we have cut back costs on Hawley and the committee still continues to end up with high numbers every time we come to do a project at Hawley. Mr. Cruson stated Hawley was one of the oldest buildings. Mr. Delia stated a more balanced plan would be more acceptable. Mr. Cruson asked to achieve balance, if years 4 and 5 were together then that bottom number would be closer to what we currently have now in year

1. Mr. Bienkowski stated the committee has to remember that there is a balance that happens when the Board of Finance consolidates our and theirs together.

MR. Cruson asked if we have to be concerned about the Eversource Energy Projects Program disappearing at some point in time. Mr. Faiella stated he did not think so. Mr. Faiella stated the dollar amount won't change but what is changing is the rebates. The savings will always be there because their contracted price is through Eversource. They are not paying for the project but they are giving us the rebate. Mr. Faiella is hoping that the rebates do not go away.

Mrs. Leidlein and other committee members stated they were ready to move this 10 year CIP plan to the Board of Education at their June 20th meeting. Mr. Cruson asked if there would be any issues with the TBD's on the second schedule. Mrs. Leidlein stated no because we are talking 10 years out. Mrs. Leidlein asked Mr. Faeilla to do his best to work on getting some of the numbers before we present to the Board of Finance. Mrs. Leidlein feels the Board of Finance is really just looking to pass the 5 year CIP plan. The additional 5 years added is for future planning purposes.

Item 3 Whitsons Food Service Update

Mr. Bienkowski stated right now we do not have an answer from the state regarding approval of our renewal. He was hoping to get an answer soon.

Mr. Cruson stated Whitsons should still give their presentation at the Board of Education June 5th meeting. The Board could table the motion until we get an answer from the state. Mr. Cruson stated it does not hurt to have the information and make a decision later.

OPEN: No future meeting was decided at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: Mrs. Leidlein moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cruson seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Morris

**NEWTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMARY - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
2019/20 TO 2023/24**

6/4/18 DRAFT Development
FOR 2019-24

INITIAL FIVE YEARS

CIP Item #	Location	Description of Project	underway 2018/19	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	TOTALS
				2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	
1	Hawley Elem.	Replace boiler, steam to HW, 1921 section & Lighting energy project <i>Less Energy Incentive PAYMENT</i>		\$783,200 <u>-\$38,961</u> \$744,239					
3	Hawley Elem.	Ventilation and HVAC Renovations, partial A/C, focus on '21 section			\$5,002,267				\$5,746,506
	<i>underway</i>	<i>Middle Gate Elem Roof replacement 1964 and 1992 sections</i>	\$1,685,400						\$0
7	Head O'Meadow	Lighting, efficiency, variable frequency drivers & pumps					\$941,200		\$941,200
6	Reed Intermediate	Install high efficiency gas boilers & LED lighting conversion					\$1,370,500		\$1,370,500
5	Middle School	II - Ventilation, HVAC, AC Auditorium & Café, replace rooftop units '98				\$3,278,898			\$3,278,898
2	High School	Main boiler replacements - High Efficiency Gas, lighting and controls <i>Less Energy Incentive PAYMENT</i>		\$2,702,000 <u>-\$463,435</u> \$2,238,565					
4	High School	Replace/restore stadium turf field (11th year)				\$1,123,600			\$3,362,165
TOTAL COSTS OF ALL PROJECTS			\$1,685,400	\$2,982,804	\$5,002,267	\$4,402,498	\$1,370,500	\$941,200	\$13,758,069
TOTAL TO BE BONDED				\$2,982,804	\$5,002,267	\$4,402,498	\$1,370,500	\$941,200	\$14,699,269
<i>School Building Grant Eligible 2017-18 Reimbursement rate 36.43%</i>									

Eligibility for project inclusion on the CIP is that the cost must exceed 0.25% of the Total Town Budget, \$117,121,198. For 2018-19 the threshold is \$292,803. Estimates on file are increased by 6% from last year.

6.0%

**NEWTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMARY - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
2024/25 TO 2028/29**

6/4/18 DRAFT Development
FOR 2024-29

SECOND FIVE YEARS

CIP Item #	Location	Description of Project	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	TOTALS	
			2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29		
	Hawley Elem.	Classroom renovations '21 section (ceilings, lighting, floors, etc.) Purchase unsightly House/land adjacent to school Repave entire parking lot, curbing, sidewalks Generator Elevator to café	\$1,000,000	\$420,000	TBD	\$900,000	TBD	\$2,320,000	
	Sandy Hook							\$0	
	Middle Gate Elem	Thermal Window replacements Repave entire parking lot, curbing, sidewalks Complete kitchen renovation	\$1,000,000			TBD	TBD	\$1,000,000	
	Head O'Meadow	Gas and water lines to school Replace/update A/C Re roofing/restoration			\$3,000,000	\$2,400,000	\$5,500,000	\$10,900,000	
	Reed Intermediate	Repave entire parking lot, curbing, sidewalks Re roof entire building (solar remove & reinstall \$225K)			TBD	TBD		\$0	
	Middle School	Repave entire parking lot, curbing, sidewalks Window replacements Library and science lab renovations Complete kitchen renovation	TBD		TBD	TBD	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	
	High School	Re roofing/restoration HVAC equipment replacements Fuel Cell Athletic/Stadium field house and storage Practice fields facilities and storage		\$1,000,000 \$900,000	\$2,600,000	\$1,500,000	TBD	\$6,000,000	
TOTAL COSTS OF ALL PROJECTS			\$0	\$2,000,000	\$2,320,000	\$5,600,000	\$4,800,000	\$7,000,000	\$21,720,000