

**STAMFORD PLANNING BOARD**  
**APPROVED MINUTES - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020**  
*(REVISED OCTOBER 16, 2020)*  
**CAPITAL BUDGET**  
**VIA THE INTERNET & CONFERENCE CALL**  
**6:00 P.M.**

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Stamford Planning Board Members present were: Voting Members: Theresa Dell, Chair; Jay Tepper, Vice Chair; Jennifer Godzeno, Secretary and Michael Buccino. Absent: Michael Totilo, Voting Member; William Levin, Alternate and Claire Fishman, Alternate. Present for staff: David W. Woods, PhD, FAICP, Deputy Director of Planning; Ted Jankowski, Director, Office of Public Safety, Health & Welfare; Jay Fountain, Director, Office of Policy & Management; Anthony Romano, Management Analyst, Office of Policy & Management; J.R. McMullen, Board of Representatives - District 18 and Lindsay Miller, Board of Representatives - District 7.

Also present as Capital Budget presenters (in order of appearance):

- Chief Trevor Roach
- Miguel Robles, Assistant Fire Chief

Ms. Dell called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., introduced the members of the Board and staff present and welcomed Lindsay Miller and J. R. McMullen, of the Board of Representatives, who were participating to ask questions during the Capital Budget presentations. Ms. Dell also thanked Mr. Romano and all the speakers presenting.

Ms. Dell introduced the first item on the agenda.

**PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

**September 29, 2020:** After a brief discussion, one error noted. Mr. Buccino was absent at this meeting but had been also listed as being present. Mr. Tepper moved to recommend approval of the Planning Board Regular Meeting Minutes of September 29, 2020 with the change discussed; Ms. Godzeno seconded the motion, and passed unanimously with eligible members present voting, 3-0 (Dell, Godzeno and Tepper) (Mr. Buccino was ineligible to vote as he was absent at the September 29, 2020 meeting).

**REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION**

**SUPPLEMENTAL CAPITAL PROJECT APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE REPLACEMENT & UPGRADE - PROJECT #CP1460:**

Public Safety Vehicles: Stamford Police Dept. Patrol Response Vehicles - 12 vehicles @ \$68,000.00 each for a **Total Amount of \$816,000.00**

Tony Romano and Ted Jankowski each provided additional details and answered questions from the Board.

After considerable discussion, Mr. Buccino recommended approval of the Public Safety Vehicle Replacement & Upgrade - Project #CP1460 for a Total Amount of \$816,000.00 with the recommendation the funds be used in 2020 to take advantage of the current low interest rates and assist the City in saving a significant amount of money on this project. This request has been reviewed pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 8-24 and the City Charter Section C6-30-13 and finds this request to be consistent with CGS Section 8-24, and the City Charter Section C6-30-13, as well as consistent with the adopted 2015 Master Plan; Mr. Tepper seconded the motion and passed unanimously with eligible members present voting, 4-0 (Dell, Buccino, Godzeno and Tepper).

Ms. Dell began the Capital Budget presentations.

Ms. Dell once again welcomed Mr. Miller, Mr. McMullen, Mr. Jankowski, Mr. Fountain and Mr. Romano and thanked them for their participation.

Ms. Dell explained that we want to be ready to go once the funds are approved and stay within the parameters of the budget as the Mayor has requested being frugal this year. Ms. Dell stated there may possibly be \$30M as per her discussions with the Mayor; although \$5M is dedicated to mold remediation, which will be standard for the next two years.

Mr. Romano explained the Safe Debt Limit will most likely be \$25M as per the Capital Memo distributed.

Ms. Dell further explained that projects should be finished within one-year and projects with grants and/or bonds will receive priority. Ms. Dell also stated she hoped the presenters reviewed the Capital Budget from last year and looked at the project in the first out year, which were brought over into this year's Capital Budget.

Ms. Dell explained the absence of Mr. Totilo, Ms. Fishman and Mr. Levin and also explained the attendance of Mr. Miller and Mr. McMullen that by City Charter the Board of Representatives and Board of Finance are invited to participate in the Capital Budget meetings and they are representing the Board of Representatives. The Board of Finance had declined to participate.

Ms. Dell introduced Mr. Jankowski.

**CAPITAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Office of Public Safety, Health & Welfare: Ted Jankowski, Director
2. Office of Public Safety, Health & Welfare - Short Term Financing: Capital: Ted Jankowski
3. Stamford Police - Department Wide: Ted Jankowski
4. Stamford Fire Department: Chief Trevor Roach & Assistant Chief Miguel Robles

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Next regularly scheduled Planning Board meetings are:

- October 13, 2020 - Capital Budget (Meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.)
- October 20, 2020 - Capital Budget (Meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.)
- October 27, 2020 - Capital Budget (Meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.)
- November 10, 2020 - Regular Meeting & Capital Budget Potential Call-Back  
(***IF NEEDED*** - Call-Back starts at 6:00 p.m. / Regular Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.)

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Dell adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Godzeno, Secretary  
Stamford Planning Board

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