

**FY 2015**  
**REPORT OF THE CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**Per Chapter 9 of the town by-laws**

“Committee to be known as the Capital Budget Committee shall be established composed of one member of the Town Finance Committee appointed by it and from it, one member of the Planning Board appointed by and from it, and four additional members to be appointed by the Finance Committee. The members from the Finance Committee and the Planning Board shall be appointed for one-year terms. The other members shall be appointed for four-year terms such that one will expire each year. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired terms in the manner of the original appointments. The Committee shall annually prepare a Capital Budget program for use by the Finance Committee, the voters, other Town Boards and officials in their deliberations. The Committee shall publish such a report or a summary thereof in a suitable manner and deposit the original with the Town Clerk.

No motion relating to any capital expenditure of in excess of \$100,000.00 or any appropriation for such a capital expenditure shall be acted upon at any Town Meeting until it has been submitted to the Committee, except where provided otherwise by law. It shall be the duty of the Committee to make a recommendation, either verbally or in written form, to the Town Meeting concerning each article or transfer relating to capital expenditures of the Town.”

**Process**

A Capital Improvement Program (CIP) was initiated by the town manager this year which has made the budget process more efficient and timely. That report can be found at [http://uptonma.vt-s.net/Pages/UptonMA\\_BComm/bos/2015-2020%20CIP%20Program.pdf](http://uptonma.vt-s.net/Pages/UptonMA_BComm/bos/2015-2020%20CIP%20Program.pdf)

## **Votes**

The committee votes and issues on capital projects were as follows:

- DPW request for 33,000 GVW dump truck.
  - Favorable recommendation
- Fire Department request for 28 air packs (SCBA) at a cost of \$210,000.
  - Favorable recommendation
- Additional amount of \$200,000 above Chapter 90 money road construction/repair..
  - Favorable recommendation
- Attended a joint meeting with the library trustees and building committee where the Capital Budget Committee voiced their concerns that a comprehensive building proposal must include a plan that takes into account the changing role libraries play in the digital world.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Glowacki, Chairman  
Dave O'Brien, Secretary  
Tom Davidson, Member Planning Board  
Jonathan Calianos, Member FINCOM  
Frank Aniello, Member