

## ADVISORY COMMISSION ON CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (ACCE)

Meeting Minutes: March 9, 2011

Present: ACCE Commissioners: Raye Mandirola  
Eric Harrington  
Marilyn Conley  
Maureen Schorr  
Craig Horrigan

The Meeting was called to order at 7 PM in the Second Floor Conference Room in Town Hall.

Mr. Horrigan discussed a conversation he had with Lieutenant Richard Brown from the Police Department regarding the Police and Fire Radio upgrade and the funding request for 2011-2012. Due to the structural concerns about adding equipment to the Cell Towers, and the uncertainty of costs, Lieutenant Brown indicated the requests for both Departments should be pushed back to 2012-2013. He has discussed this with Chief Bellmore from the Fire Department and he is in agreement. There is a remaining balance of \$30,000 in the current budget year for Phase II, of which \$24,000 will be required to complete the Phase. The additional time will allow for a review of costs, options, a cost-benefit analysis to determine the best course of action for the final Phase. If going wireless proves too cost prohibitive, we may consider using existing fiber optic lines where they exist, and upgrading some lines to T1 lines where needed in order to improve performance. All this is yet to be determined. Lieutenant Brown indicated that with the completion of Phase II the Town is fully in compliance with the 2013 Mandate, and no further work is required by it.

ACCE reviewed all the presentations made to date for the final time. All requests were then placed in order of priority for fiscal year 2011-2012. Consideration to changes based on the various potential outcomes for the Bonding proposal were added to the document. The 5-year projections for the ACCE recommendations were also finalized. A vote was taken to approve these final products as is and passed unanimously.

A Public hearing will be scheduled to provide for public input and comments. The date has not yet been determined.

Craig Horrigan  
Chairman ACCE