

**PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES
ADVISORY COMMISSION ON CAPITAL EXPENDITURES
MARCH 2, 2023
7:00 P.M.
HYBRID MEETING**

Present: Michael Stevens, Brad Belcher, Michael Sattan, Jim Irwin, Mark Englander, Alexander Lepage (alternate) and Scott Crosson (alternate)

Also in Attendance: First Selectman Moll

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes from February 23, 2023 Regular Meeting

Chairman Stevens motioned and **B. Belcher** seconded to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation

Dave Gauthier, 3219 Phelps Road – Mr. Gauthier addressed the group and expressed his opinion on the Public Hearing with regard to the agenda, the presentation and how to promote the meeting to increase resident participation. He also expressed his opinion on two very large capital improvement projects associated with the Facilities Master Plan that he thinks should be reviewed by ACCE, but are not on the list. Members of the commission explained the reasoning behind the exclusion and clarified what the scope of ACCE includes. Mr. Gauthier continued to debate the subject and gave his thoughts on the school and fire house projects included in the Facilities Master Plan. Discussion ensued between the commission and Mr. Gauthier with the commission members providing their thoughts and opinions on the capital projects currently on the proposed list, the large projects on the Facilities Master Plan, the commission's interaction with the Board of Finance and other issues relating to the process of project review and selection. Mr. Gauthier noted that he was pleased with the proposed list that the commission has created and looks forward to their presentations at the upcoming Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance meetings.

Chairman Stevens addressed the group, thanked the new members for being willing to join the commission this year and wished them all well as he has submitted his resignation effective March 20, 2023 and will be moving out of state.

Adjournment

M. Englander motioned and **B. Belcher** seconded to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristen O. Lambert
Recording Secretary