
Water CIP 2023

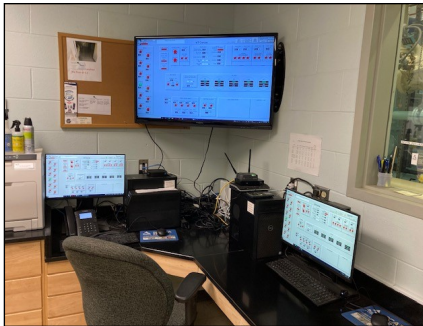
Departmental Review CIP 2023

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Introduction

The CIP book has been prepared utilizing a new format, as well as being delivered months in advance of the prior years calendar. The CIP is utilized by the Board of Selectmen, the Budget Committee, as well as the Planning Board as you look to determine which warrant articles shall be placed on the 2023 warrant. This advance calendar will give the Board the opportunity to initially review departmental requests with each department head as they appear before the Board for their monthly reports. In addition to the CIP book I will present the Board with departmental reviews for every department to be reviewed by the Board. Along with the budget this document is some of the most important work performed by policy makers. The decisions made through the CIP and the 2023 budget process will determine the tax rate in 2023.



The Water CIP

The 2023 Water CIP has been provided through the main CIP book, and will be placed below. We will look at those numbers in more detail through the individual departmental reviews. There are some important finance issues associated with this plan. Let us start with the 2023 requests only.

Water	2023	Source	Method	Article Requested
Water Search	\$400,000	Water Capital Fund	Pay-Go	Yes
Water Well Maintenance	\$55,000	General Fund	Pay-Go	Yes
Addition to Water Capital Fund	\$75,000	General Fund	Pay-Go	Yes
Total	\$530,000			

We see that the departmental requests for 2023 total \$530,000. The Department requests warrant articles for all three.

All of the requested warrant articles are pay/go, with two of them funded through the general fund, with tax impact. The largest, the water search, would be funded through the water capital fund. We will recommend a reauthorization of the Fogg purchase balance, as well an addition to the water capital fund, which has funded the acquisition of major new sources of water for the community. On that basis the initial draft of the CIP will be amended to reflect a diminished request for water exploration (down to \$400,000 from \$475,000) The current balance in this fund is \$75,000. Ongoing capital expenses associated with new water sources will be substantial in the years to come. The well maintenance amount is recurring annually.

Additional items beyond 2023 include:

1. Vehicles. \$90,000 2024 **(Vehicles) Pay-Go, General Fund**. Water has one vehicle on the six year list, a 2024 request for replacement of a 2012 dump truck.
2. SCADA Upgrade 2024. \$55,000 **(Water Infrastructure) Pay-Go, General Fund** Critical communication infrastructure for Water
3. Water Filters Media Replacement 2024. \$426,470 **(Water Infrastructure) Pay/Go, General Fund**. The Superintendent can speak to this, but it is a true capital asset that would be a candidate for bond finance.
4. Replace/Repair Bedrock Well 4. 2028 \$270,000 **(Water Infrastructure) Pay/Go, General Fund** The Superintendent can speak to the need. This might also be considered for bond finance.

That is the overview of the Water CIP 2023-2028.