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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN BUDGET WORKSHOP**  
**February 16, 2012**  
**Meeting Room B, Town Hall**

**PRESENT:** William Brennan, Ted Hoffstatter, James Saxe  
**ABSENT:** Hal Clark, Richard Dubow

**ALSO PRESENT** Sandy Dennies, Sarah Taffel, Richard McArdle, Steve Pierce, Joan Lownds (Bulletin)

Chairman Brennan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**FY 2012-2013 Proposed Operating Budget/Capital Budget**

Mr. Saxe moved to approve the Operating Budget at \$30,643,000. Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

**Bonded Capital**

Open Space – For several years we have included \$2.5 million for a particular parcel of land. We hope to have some indication soon regarding these negotiations and the timing involved.

Fiber Program – Ms. Dennies advised that we have heard from AT&T, CL&P and DOT that there is enough room on existing poles to enable us to install fiber without the need to clear anything from the municipal gain, at our expense. This reduces the project second phase estimate by \$350,000, to \$997,000.

Comstock Roof – Mr. Pierce advised that the original estimate was \$219,000 back in 2010. We have learned that number has increased by 15%, but will be seeking quotes for the best price. We have spent \$18,000 in the past few years on repairs.

Ambler Farm – Mr. Brennan spoke with Neil Gluckin of the Friends of Ambler Farm and learned that they are comfortable with the proposal to spread the project over four years

and with the condition that the Friends would have to provide matching funds to the Town's contribution of \$125,000 per year.


Council on Public Facilities – It was agreed to request that the CPF look at the following projects:

- Comstock Roof
- Middlebrook School Roof
- Middlebrook School and High School restroom renovations
- Miller Driscoll School – continue working until the project is completed.

Mr. Brennan will notify Malcolm Whyte, CPF Chairman, of these requests.

Bonded Five Year Capital Plan – For the Miller Driscoll project, for planning purposes, we need to have numbers in the Plan before going to the bond rating agencies. Since the numbers being used now are \$18 million, with \$40 million, Mr. Brennan suggests using the mid-point of \$29 million, or \$14.5 million in FY 15 and \$14.5 million in FY 16. The other Selectmen agreed.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Jan Andras  
Recording Secretary  
(taken from video)