

**Town of Brentwood**  
**Budget Committee Site Walk at Public Works/Highway Department**  
Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2023

*Members:* Jack Mitchell (chair), Michelle Siudut, Anthony Phillips, Gabbie Kelly, Letty Bedard  
*Guests:* Wayne Robinson, Liz Faria

Committee members met with Wayne Robinson at the Highway Shed at 6:15 pm.

**Buildings:** The old building needs new lights; water from the old well has too much salt and cannot be used. A new well has been drilled next to the new building. The new building is just a shell; it still needs heat and plumbing. A new office, 2 locker rooms (male/female), 2 restrooms (male/female) and a bunk room are framed, but not finished.

**Personnel:** The recent departure of an employee leaves 2 full timers, they are looking to hire a 3rd (would need a CDL); there are also 4 seasonal staff. Consideration of paying for a new hire to obtain their CDL in exchange for promise of 3 years employment. Wayne said the former employee had been entering the budget data; neither of the 2 remaining are capable and they will need help.

**Equipment:** Has 4 trucks running. All vehicles are under cover, with the exception of the vehicle Wayne drives, which he takes home at night. Would like to replace 2 trucks soon (\$290K ea) and will need another truck within 5 years because of new roads the town will be taking over. Some towns are being asked to take over state roads and state employees are dwindling, so that may need to be considered in the future.

Heavy rains have washed out some roads/culverts, resulting in unexpected road repair expenses. The total costs are yet unknown.

The importance of utilizing the Capital Improvement Plan to prepare for future budgeting needs was discussed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Siudut, Secretary