



## Township of Mendham

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Patricia Zimmerman  
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Re: Budget Questions

Dear Mrs. Zimmerman,

Below please find responses to your budget inquiries submitted on April 14, 2016.

1. *As you may have gathered, over the years I have attended a number of Finance Committee meetings and each year I have been given a copy of the Capital Budget and Long Range Plan. I would like copies of these for the 2016 budget.*

A copy of the plan has been attached.

2. *The 2016 budget provides \$205,000 for Capital Improvement Fund (There was \$50,000 budgeted in 2015). How much money is currently in this fund and what are the plans for the fund.*

The Capital Improvement Fund can be used as a 5% down payment on a capital item/project or to fund, partially or in full, a capital item/project. In 2016, we are going to use the Capital Improvement Fund to completely fund road improvements, a police vehicle and the reserve for the capital improvement fund. The remaining funds will be used as a down payment.

Regarding how much money is currently in the fund, I will have to research each unexpended ordinance to see what funds are remaining. Once the budget is adopted the funds are transferred to the Capital Fund. Once an ordinance is adopted the funds are linked directly to that ordinance. I will have to get back to you at a later date with this information.

3. *I have already expressed to Mayor Cioppettini my concern over the cost of electricity for the Emergency Services Building. Now I see that we are budgeting \$9,000 for "Street*

*Lighting" (not including \$2,000 for Woodland Lakes). How many street lights are there? Since this amount is more than doubled what was actually paid last year, are we adding lights? Could you please tell me where these lights are located?*

I will have to get back to you regarding the specifics on the street lights.









