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There are two projects that need funding so that they can be presented to the membership at the June 2020 Association meeting. They are:

1. Preparation of a preliminary analysis of improvements and repairs to the Dam by Karl Acimovic, the Consulting Engineer we hired to perform the dam inspection. The cost of these services would not exceed \$1,800. Mr. Acimovic would present his report to the Board at a future meeting and also present his findings to the members at the June 2020 Association meeting. This report would be the starting point for an application the DEEP for authorization to rebuild the eastern spillway of the Dam and other needed repairs and maintenance.
2. The preparation of filing to the Town of East Haddam Wetlands commission to construct a bio-detention basin on the Hayfield Road property the Association purchased last fall. This project involves retaining Mr. Acimovic, the consulting engineer, a soil scientist and surveyors to prepare a topographical map of the property (all required for the Wetlands Commission filing) The total estimated cost of these three services is \$8,000. Mr. Acimovic would also present his findings to the Board and the Association members and coordination the work of the soil scientist and the surveyor.

As you recall from last year's August Association meeting, we told the members that we would seek outside grants to help fund the cost of these projects. To that end in December 2019 we applied to the Town of East Haddam for three capital projects in the 2020-21 Town Budget: \$50,000 for the rebuilding of the eastern spillway of the dam; \$25,000 for the construction of the Bio-detention basin on the Hay Field Road property; and \$25,000 to correct drainage on Haywardville Road in front of the two Dam spillways. We asked the town to fund 50% of the first two projects and 100% of the drainage project.

Both the projects outlined in No 1 and 2 above require the information so that the permitting process can be moved forward, members can understand the scope of the projects and be prepared to vote on proposed capital expenditures to fund these projects at the August 2020 Association meeting and we can be prepared to demonstrate to the Town of East Haddam Board of Finance that we are ready to move forward with these projects. There is no guaranty that the Town will fund the amounts we requested but the Association needs to be prepared to act when the permits are approved. We expect the Wetlands permitting process would move faster than the DEEP permitting process.

Based on a preliminary analysis of the 2019-20 year to date Budget to Actual expenditures, we have sufficient funds available that will not be spent to cover the estimated \$9,800. I will ask the Board to approve a reallocation of the Budget that would come primarily from underspending in the Properties, LQIC and Public Safety Budgets to fund these costs. To give some leeway, I would add a 10% contingency to this amount and ask for a reauthorization of \$10,800 to cover these projects.