

## **Building Meeting – July 27, 2021**

### **Resident Questions/Concerns/Thoughts**

Frank Ferraro –

- Will we look at outside the box solutions as opposed to having preconceived thoughts?  
Consider moving PD to the old library. FD could then have the first floor of the PD.
- Consider splitting Town employees with some in current building and some with the PD in the old library.
- Consider Town offices being moved to an offsite location like where Philbricks was located.
- Would prefer seeing current Town buildings reused/repurposed

Kirsten L. Schultz –

- How much has been spent in studies so far and where did that money come from?
- Will we see a warrant article for new buildings this fall?
- If the fire station is the biggest need, where will we put it?

Cynthia Swank –

- Can we move any Town functions over to Route 1?
- It seemed to me from the design efforts of Dennis Mires, Warren Street, MRI's report (and the SF numbers they provided), as well as Victor Azzi's report to the CIP Committee that there is insufficient acreage unless something moves off-campus or new buildings have a smaller footprint by being two story.
- The existing Library is one story and a second story cannot be added. Is it worthwhile to keep as a swing building? Would it work as a swing building?
- Is it worth keeping, renovating and expanding the existing library for Town Admin? I did not believe 20 years ago that it was large enough for Town Admin, and certainly do not think so today. Can it be expanded sufficiently now that there is a driveway leading to the Library parking lot?
- Could it be used at its present size by the Rec Dept? ADA compliant restrooms required of course. Way back when a person on one of the municipal facilities advisory committees suggested a community center be built as part of the library. The Town has an active rec program and indoor space makes sense for it.
- Can Town Admin building be placed behind the Town Hall with what is called a hyphen connector and in such a way as Public Safety would still have access to the businesses, activities

along the RR bed, especially the storage tanks? How old are those tanks and what is their longevity?

-Can the Lavallee Brensinger design for the town campus plan where Town Admin and Library were located be altered with Police and Fire?

-Any possibility of purchasing the property across Atlantic for Town Admin? One benefit is it might help with traffic speed by having a properly signaled crossing between Town Admin and the Clerk/Collector's Office similar to the ones in Greenland by the School.

-Any property owners on Lafayette now willing to deal? And move Public Safety there. Then there might actually be a decent-looking town campus with trees, grass and much less asphalt.

-Worth having a conversation with Ron Lamarre now that he's left Lavallee and try to find out what he thinks?

Dan Derby –

-The Select Board needs to clearly define the objective with a written public statement.

-He encourages to take the lists of needs from the employees and make the lists publically available

-Create some way people can send in comments on wants and needs to be prioritized.

-this is the third time this has been brought forward. What is different? What strategies should be used to assist in this being successful?

Scott Baker –

-It would be helpful if we came up with a set of assumptions of what we need to build these - buildings for.

-What will the needs be on a future basis. Are we building for a population growth? 10%, 40% 70% etc. Fire call growth? Ambulance call growth?

-What trends are we seeing/have seen that affect what we will need in 10, 20, 30 years.

-If we have these assumptions we would have a better understanding of what these facilities are being built for.

Valarie Gamache –

-She was appalled that the people that are there for our safety are working in a building with an unsafe roof. We are living in a time where storms are becoming more severe, we need to act on the safety issues.

-Vehicle clearance is an issue.

-Some things are obvious that they need to figure out. The architect should determine the direction of remodel or new buildings.

Peter Robie –

-Feels like we have been through this before.

-Obvious that the buildings need to be replaced not renovation.

-Wanted more information on the designers experience

-Where is the process right now?

-What are we going to do different this time because we have been here before?

-We need to keep going on this path of building replacement.

-Can we use the information/designs and studies we have completed in the past?