

### **Municipal Building Project Update**

The Municipal Building Project Committee (MBPC) continues to work with Stephen Blatt Architects (SBA) in preparation for the construction of the new Health Center building and the Up-island Public Safety Garage.

- Building Plan Refinements. In January of this year, the MBPC solicited bids for the construction of the Up-island Public Safety Garage. Only one bid, from a mainland contractor, was received, and the total was more than double SBA's the cost estimate. Concerned at the volatility of building-related prices, SBA decided to investigate construction savings for the two buildings.
- At a meeting of the MBPC on May 24th, Steve Blatt reported that by making a number of minor adjustments, the overall size of the IHC building has been reduced by 13.2 percent; the structure is now 70' x 64,' rather than 70' x 70.' The waiting room and the apartment for staff overnights are slightly smaller, several hallways narrower, and the roof has been lowered, eliminating some attic storage space. Likewise, the roof of the up-island garage is now lower. Steve said that IHC and Public Safety staff has been most helpful in the revision process and support the changes. The modified plans were approved by the MBPC and then by the Select Board later that day. New renderings will be available once all the refinements have been made.
- Access to the Up-island Public Safety Garage. It turns out that the driveway leading from Main Road to the garage must be changed, for an existing culvert at the original location cannot be moved. The new garage will now be accessed from the driveway leading to the Houle property.
- Construction Manager (CM). On May 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Blatt and members of the MBPC's Building Committee interviewed four candidates for the position of Construction Manager for the IHC building and the up-island garage. The group chose the company H. E. Callahan of Auburn. ME, which has worked with SBA and has built health centers. Callahan will supervise all aspects of the construction, including selection of the sub-contractors. The CM will also be working with SBA and the Town to keep costs down by finding ways to save on construction materials and maximize efficiencies between the Up-island garage construction and the IHC. The Select Board approved the MBPC's recommendation on May 24th.

The projected schedule going forward is as follows:

2023	June-July	SBA does design development drawings for IHC building, works on Planning Board application. Planning Board reviews/approves MBP's application for construction of IHC building. Architect and CM work on project documents/cost estimates.
	Aug-Sept	IHC documents/cost estimates completed. CM presents Guaranteed Maximum Price for approval for IHC building and up-island garage.
	Oct-Nov	Construction of IHC building and up-island garage begins.
2024	Dec	Completion of IHC building and up-island garage.
2025		Renovation of the present Municipal Building for Public Safety.

Submitted by the Municipal Building Project Committee



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**Community Update June 2023** 

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- · Janet Anderson, Town Manager holds monthly calls with GWI management to review issues and status.
- IMB Oversight Committee
- a. Meetings via conference call. Agendas posted via Town's email distribution. Public welcome.
- b. Committee is: Roger Heinen, Vicki Conover, John Rex-Waller, Laura Graf & Hank Conklin. Phil Seymour represents the Select Board.

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> **Summer Informational Meeting:** August 10th 5:30 pm@ the Kinnicutt Center

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