

Building and Needs Assessment Committee

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Minutes of meeting held on 31 August 2000

Present: Richard Butterfield (Chairman)

Jameson Bell

Drew Brown

David W. Rego

The Committee convened at 9am.

The Committee noted that George Moe was unable to be present.

The Committee reviewed the estimate submitted by Dix Shevalier, architect, for replacement of the Library roof. The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Board of Selectmen to the recommendation of the architect that in order to facilitate ventilation, the skylights should not be replaced. The cost of replacing all the skylights would be an additional \$50400. In order to reduce the cost, a possibility was to replace only the skylights in the main library building where, for both aesthetic and lighting reasons, they were most valued.

The Committee discussed the police/fire station project. It was agreed that there was need for a decision on whether or not the Town was interested in acquiring the Gutsy Bender property. In order to reach that decision, it would be desirable to make rough estimates of the cost of the two options. One is to purchase the Gutsy Bender, renovate the building on the property to serve as a new police station, and renovate the existing police/fire station as the new fire station. The other is to renovate and expand the existing police/ fire station. The Chairman proposed to raise the issue with the Board of Selectmen at the upcoming Selectmens' meeting.

The Committee adjourned at 10.40 am.

Drew Brown
9/21/00