

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 7, 2008**

Present were: Rosey Gerry, Richard McLaughlin, Earle Brown, Cathy Hardy and H. Bob Plausse.

1) Workshop with Municipal Building Committee (MBC)

Bob Fenney, the Architect working with the Municipal Buildings Committee provided the Board and others present a tour of the building to point out deficiencies, inefficiencies and areas not in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). He explained that the ADA became effective for local governments in 1992. If only the existing building were modified to comply with the ADA additional space would be lost thereby making the deficiencies and inefficiencies greater.

Bob Fenney also reviewed the last set of plans (developed in the spring) for the Fire Station and Town Office. After reviewing the plans a discussion was held on the possible timelines for voting and funding options. Stacey Parra suggested contacting the Capital Campaign about making a donation to the Town Office building fund. She stated that the Board of Selectmen brought to the voters designating \$300,000 to the school capital campaign funds that were previously set aside for a possible Town Office expansion/upgrade. As the school is built and their needs for capital items now not nearly as great perhaps now would be the time to approach the school committee about returning some of these funds. Other funds that are available include the Capital Investment Fund (\$190,000+/-), the Fire Department Building Fund (\$190,000 +/-) and the undesignated fund balance (amount not known until audit complete). It may be possible to construct improvements at the Town Office without raising taxes. A general discussion was held regarding the mood of the voters and the economy.

The MBC inquired if they were headed in the right direction with the projects. The consensus was that the Fire Department could have whatever they wanted that the Lincolnville Volunteer Fire Department was willing to pay for. No consensus was reached regarding the Town Office project as the costs were not known at this time.

Motion by Plausse, second by Brown, to move forward with the Fire Station and Town Office projects and report back to the Board with plans and cost estimate at their late August meeting.
Vote: 5-0.

The offer was extended to tour the Brown property.

2) Adjourn

Motion by Plausse, second by Brown, to adjourn. **Vote: 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,
David B. Kinney
Town Clerk