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On Nov 12, 2013, at 4:24 PM, Roger Murray <[rfmurray1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:rfmurray1@myfairpoint.net)> wrote:

Dear John,

Thank you for providing me with a copy of the Wolfeboro Town Hall Rehabilitation - 2014. The Friends fundraising has now exceeded \$700,000 in pledges. We will be making a presentation to the Board of Selectmen next Wednesday, November 20, 2013, at which time the Selectmen will discuss the Town Hall Warrant Article.

I shared the Wolfeboro Town Hall Rehabilitation – 2014 with Joyce Davis, Kathy Barnard and Anne Blodget. Based on our discussions, I offer the following comments:

Because of the camera angle it appears that the clock tower is collapsing onto the main portion of the building. The photo also appears to be of the old clock face which has been replaced. Given that one of the opposition's claims is that the building is falling down, we might want to consider a different cover photo.

The Plan Changes First Floor Plan still shows the meeting room in the annex although the next sheet states the existing offices are to remain.

On the Second Floor Plan, we do not know whether there will be a stage. We think it would make sense to simply delete the stage until a final decision is made. The present proposal calls for no fixed seating so that the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, "The Great Hall" would be available for a wide variety of uses. We have portrayed the space as a community center which would be

available for use not only by town boards but also by non-profits. Perhaps there could be a notation as to the seating capacity without actually showing what might be interpreted as fixed seating. We have tried not to refer to the space as an auditorium on the theory that it might be perceived as limiting the uses. On the North, West and East Elevation Exterior Repair sheets, some of the windows were replaced in 2012 and some in 2013. Rather than sort out what was done when, we suggest deleting the date on those sheets.

In terms of the site plan, both the Main Street and the rear parking lots have just been redone and thus are not part of the current proposal.

The Energy Efficient sheet asks "Are Old Buildings Energy Hogs?" Could this be phrased a little more positively? For example, "Are Old Buildings Energy Efficient?"

Lastly, I have a question regarding your October 29<sup>th</sup> email to Rob Houseman and Dave Owen regarding the truss connection to the exterior walls. When you and I spoke earlier this fall, I thought you indicated that the issue with the roof truss connection was something that needed to be addressed within perhaps the next ten years, but not immediately. Your October 29<sup>th</sup> email seems to indicate that the work needs to be done immediately. Is this the result of an engineering company worrying about its professional liability insurance? Does the problem need to be addressed prior to the rehabilitation of the building which will occur once the warrant article passes next March?

If you have any additional thoughts or comments, please let me know.

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