

Reinhardt Associates were hired to first evaluate Plympton's existing town hall, police station and fire station and then to develop a plan to improve or replace any of the facilities determined to be inadequate over a few years. They also evaluated 3 parcels of land, owned by the Town, the present 6 acre site, a 3 acre parcel on Center St. and a 17 acre site at the corner of Maple St. and Palmer Rd., for new building construction.

Last night, as most people expected, their evaluation said that the police and fire stations are woefully inadequate at best. They also dismissed the Center St. site from further consideration, as it is too small. They also determined that renovation of the existing fire station would be materially more expensive than replacing it.

Remaining options are:

1. Present 6 acre site:
 - A. Demolish existing fire station and replace with combined police and fire station. Approximate **cost \$7.2 million**. Relocate ball fields, additional \$175,000 cost. Public water supply and waste treatment requirements and costs to be determined.
 - B. Demolish and replace existing fire station. New police station on Palmer & Main. Approximate **cost \$8 million**. Public water supply and waste treatment requirements to be determined on both sites. Ball fields remain on site.
2. Maple St. and Palmer Road 17 acre site:
 - A. Combined police and fire stations constructed. Approximate **cost \$7 million**. Public water supply and waste treatment requirements and costs to be determined. Ball fields remain where they are. Old fire station would be available for other uses. A question remains on this site not being as centrally located as site 1.

Reinhardt also presented costs for renovating the town hall but it will not be considered at this time.

Preliminary funding discussions suggest that the project could be bonded and the debt service would come from the capital stabilization account therefore no prop 2 ½ overrides or other tax increases would be necessary.

