

# Plympton Town House Complex Project



*Community Newsletter*

**MARCH 20, 2017**

The Annual Town Meeting last year voted to task a building and planning committee to assess the condition of the public safety facilities on the Town House property. The Plympton Public Safety Building Committee looked at many options and varying designs for both Fire and Police facilities, as well as a possible combined facility. The Committee recognizes that there is a need for BOTH Fire and Police facilities to be improved to meet the requirements of a basic public safety facility. The Committee, however, understands the realities that Plympton cannot afford both facilities at this time and a phased approach is required.

The phase coming to vote this year is a Police Facility.

The existing station does not meet accessibility standards, public safety standards and Massachusetts' state code for such facilities. This is an issue that requires immediate attention. The proposed facility is designed to serve the Town's needs for the foreseeable future and will be presented to the Annual Town Meeting in May. Upon the completion of the Police Station Project, the Committee will be in a position to re-evaluate the Town's financial position and if favorable, begin the second phase of the Town House Complex, to design a new or rebuilt Fire facility, based on the Town's needs at that time.



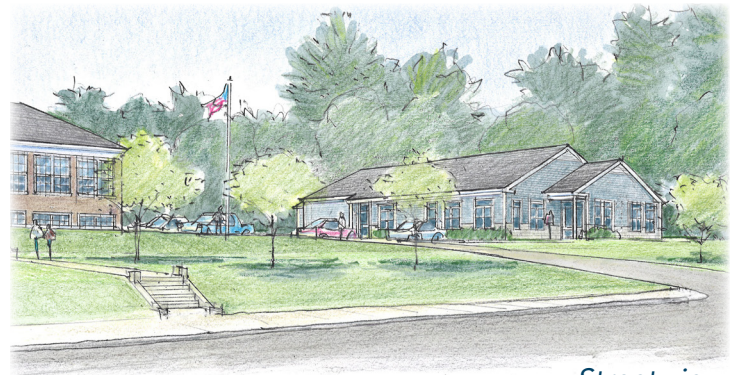
*Proposed Site Plan*

## How We Got Here?

Guiding the Committee through this process has been an Owner's Project Manager "OPM" and a Designer. The Committee following the process of Massachusetts General Laws, hired an OPM and a Designer as required for a project known to be larger than 1.5 Million Dollars. The OPM, selected from six applicants, is Project Planning Professionals or P3 from Norwell, MA. The OPM lead the Committee through the appropriate steps to present the project to the community. The first task was hiring a designer. The Committee had many to choose from and interviewed four firms. The firm Donham and Sweeney, given their years of public safety experience, was chosen.

Working closely with the OPM and Designer, the Committee agreed on a phased approach to the project and spent several months working on a financially responsible solution that meets the needs for both the Police Department and the Town of Plympton.

The question any tax payer is going to ask is, what is the cost? The proposed Police Facility design shows a new building to the right of the Town House. The costs of the facility will come from the Capital Purpose Fund for the duration of the Bonds that will be issued to pay for construction. The cost of the new Police Station is just shy of Three Million Dollars. **The Town can afford to build the proposed Police facility without raising taxes on the residents of the Town.**



*Street view*

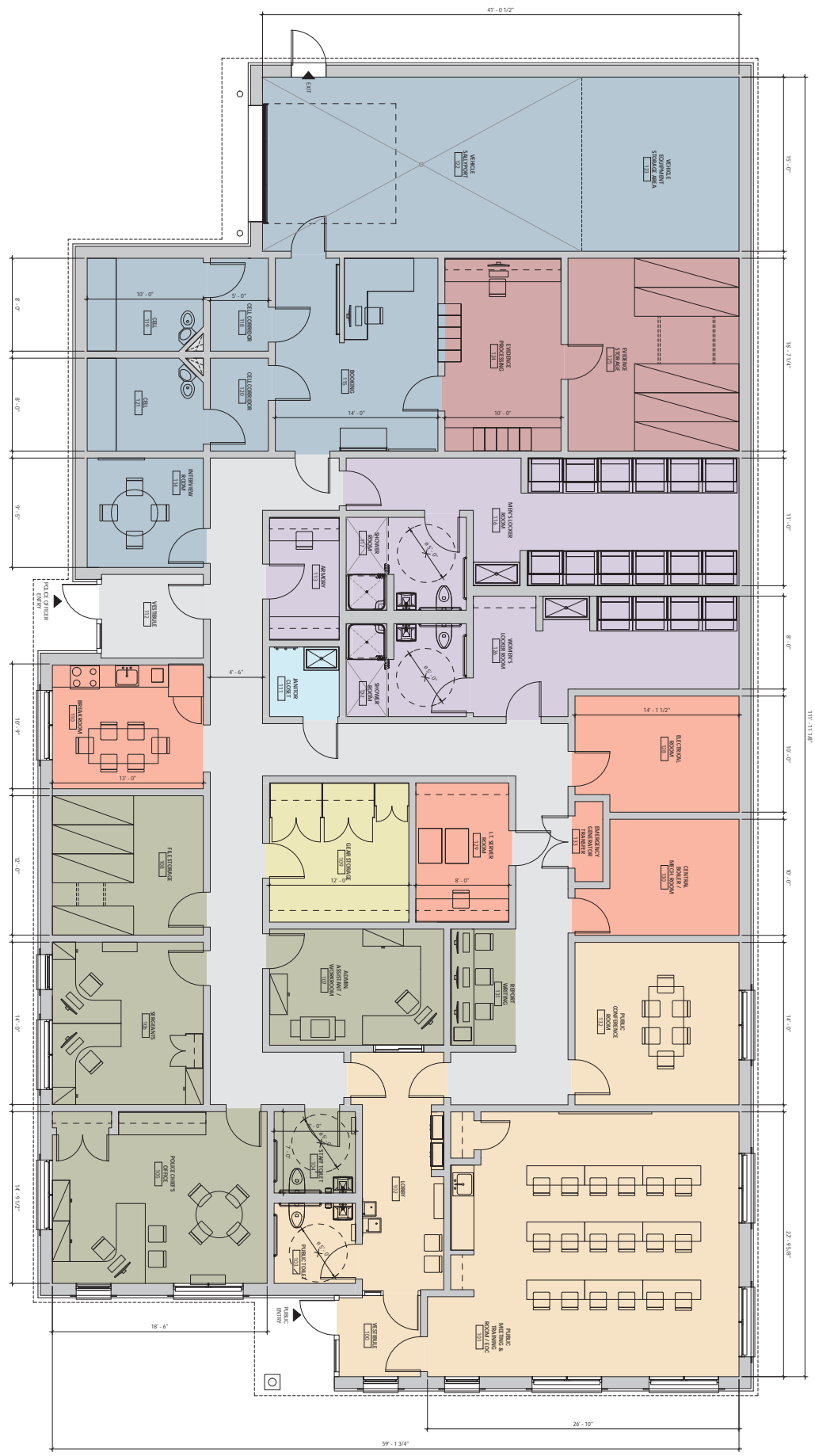
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1 FIRST FLOOR PLAN - 6,200 GSF



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- BUILDING SUPPORT
- CIRCULATION