

GARAGE BOND VOTE INFORMATION MEETING

May 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Chelsea Town Hall

Attendance:	Karen Lathrop	John Upham	Tenny Johnson
	Frank Keene	Steve Gould	Jean Brown
	Judy Reed	Carol Frenier	Heidi Allen Goodrich
	Betty Rogers	Dick Rogers	Bob Frenier
	Bill Field	Phyllis Hayward	Lisa Milchman
	Ricky Ackerman	Susan Elder	Arthur Edersheim
	Robin Amber	Larry Allen	Dave Button
	Kylie Eastman	Dave Bradshaw	Liesi Hebert
	Ron Allen	Joe Spinella	Susan Morse
	Phillip Mulligan	Dickson Corbett	Rick Allen
	Robert Button	Jane Cushman	Robert Brown

Per State Statutes, this meeting was warned in The Herald on March 24, May 1, 2014 and May 8.

Selectboard Chairperson, Carol Olsen opened the meeting before turning the meeting over to Selectboard members Mike Button and Mike Kuban. An informational hand out was available which discussed building size, estimated cost of site work, estimated building cost, equipment to be housed inside, repayment options, estimated funds required for the total project (\$1,032,000), funds available (\$445,000) and the final figure of \$587,000 required bond vote for completion.

Discussions included: the building size, method of heat and concern for moisture as experienced by the town of Sharon with a similar size building, lower grand list due to re-assessments.

1. The Selectboard has considered a smaller structure but determined that the amount saved is minimal compared to the cost to add on to the building later. They have decided to continue on with a 70' x 100' building to house all equipment.
2. Heat – Radiant heat in the floor, waste oil furnaces, pellet furnaces have all been studied. Although these methods would be nice, they are expensive so the Board has opted to use propane fired modine heaters. The possibility of partitioning off part of the garage to reduce heating costs can be decided at a later date. Although Strafford has a moisture problem, Dubois and King (the town's engineering firm) is aware of this issue and working to make sure that is not a problem with Chelsea's building.
3. Due to re-assessment of properties within the flood plain, the grand list will likely drop which will impact tax rates.

The meeting was adjourned about 8:30 p.m.

