

The Brackground

In 2006, Monkton approved a \$95,000 bond to purchase a 5-acre parcel on Monkton Ridge as the site for a larger town hall. The site abuts the Monkton Friends Methodist Church and has beautiful views of Cedar Lake.

In the summer of 2012, the Municipal Building Committee (MBC) challenged design-build firms to propose an energy-efficient building consistent with Monkton's historical architecture, and provide sufficient square footage for municipal offices, library, and common space for a cost not to exceed \$1 million. Of the firms that bid, Naylor & Breen Builders, working in conjunction with NBF Architects, was selected. The two firms have successfully worked together on many similar municipal projects.

Features of new Municipal Building

The single floor design allows the Town Hall and the Library to share a central accessible entrance. The double doors open to the vestibule to minimize heat loss. Also, shared facilities include bathrooms, mechanical and meeting rooms. The 18 by 36 square-foot meeting room will accommodate 46 people, and can be used by the Library, Town Hall or for community events.

In addition to the Town Hall gaining office space, a larger records vault, and access to the common meeting room, the floor plan facilitates privacy and a good working environment. The Library will triple its current 600 square feet facility to accommodate its present collection with room to offer additional resources and programs.

The building is situated on the site to take advantage of the beautiful views and to allow shared parking with the church.

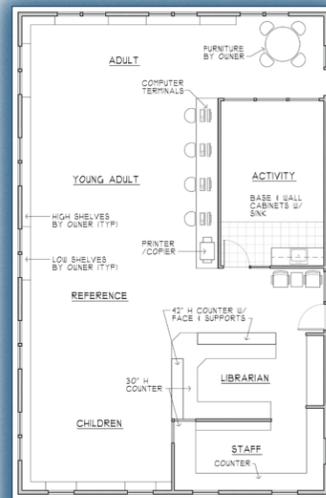
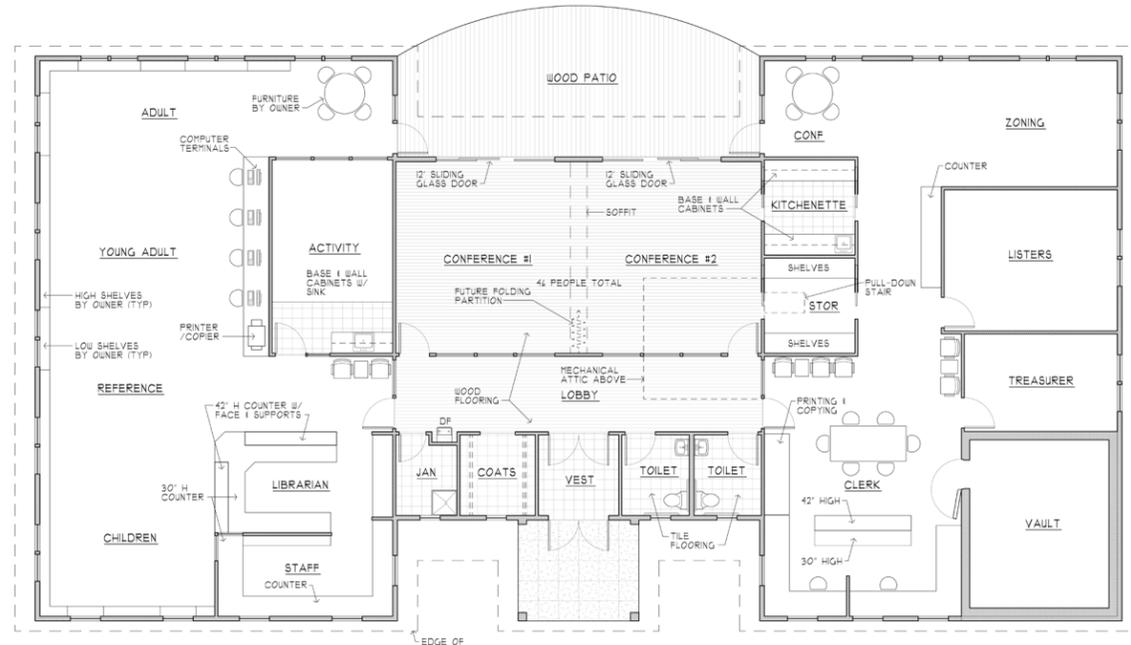
During the design process it became clear that it was more cost effective to leave the historical Town Hall in its current location where it can be used until the new building is ready in November 2013. The Town will retain an interest in the historical building and look for interested parties to lease the facility.

How will this positive community investment affect my tax rate?

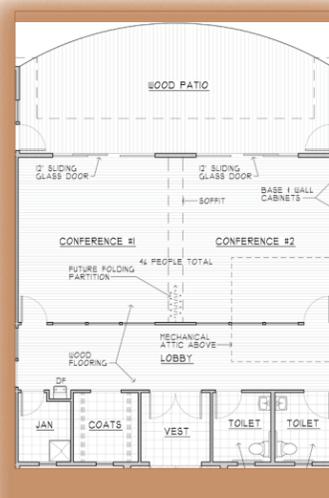
Based on a \$1,000,000 bond with a term of 20 years the increase to the tax rate would be no more than 5.25 cents. For every \$100,000 of assessed property value, your taxes will increase by \$52.50. The bond will be placed before the voters of Monkton on Town Meeting day, March 5, 2013.

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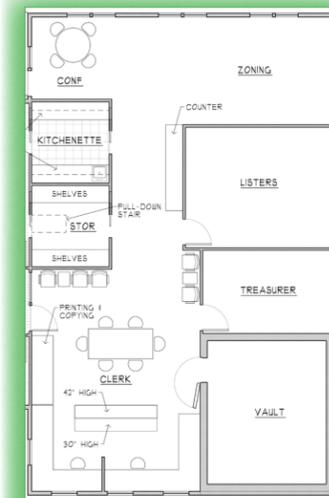
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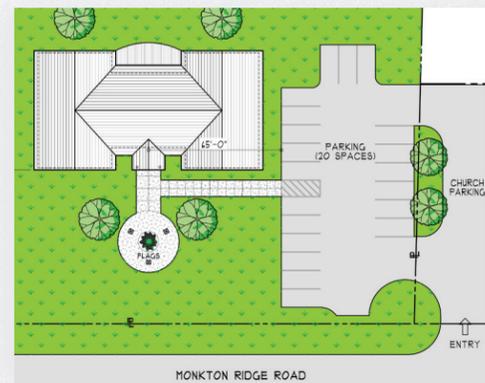
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The Benefits

The current town hall and library buildings are insufficient for Monkton's growing needs.

Benefits of the proposed municipal building:

- Improve facility for Monkton to govern, conduct town business and hold meetings.
- Co-locate library with town hall offices and enlarge municipal library.
- Create a town center, consistent with the Town Plan, where municipal services are in one location.
- Build an energy-efficient structure.
- Gain multi-purpose meeting rooms for Town Hall, Library, and community at large functions.
- Provide adequate and safe parking.
- Include a larger vault with proper storage conditions to protect our valuable historic records.
- Create a Town Green for farmers markets and town celebrations.
- Enjoy access to 5 acres of town-owned property with stunning views overlooking Monkton Pond.
- Current loan rates are historically low.

Russell Memorial Library

According to data the Russell Memorial Library staff compiled, library use is growing at a rate of 10% per year.

A larger library would allow for an expansion of programs, a larger selection of books and more hours of operation.

CURRENT PROGRAMMING:

Summer Reading Program sponsored by the Vt. Dept. of Libraries held every summer (6 weeks) for children and families.

"Final Friday" program for young children is held the last Friday of every month.

Annual Strawberry Festival. The Festival is the biggest fund-raiser held in town and very well attended. It features a used book sale, entertainment, silent auction and Strawberry Shortcake from Monkton strawberry growers.

WHAT A NEW LIBRARY WOULD OFFER:

- New Programs-Book Discussion Groups and Expanded Children Programs
- Extended Hours
- Larger Selection of Books
- Publicly Available Computer Workstations with high-speed Internet Access
- Host community series. Access to the common Meeting Room would allow the Library to host events such as: Art Exhibits Film Screenings Pecha Kucha Author Readings
- Computer Services Printer Scanner Copier WiFi

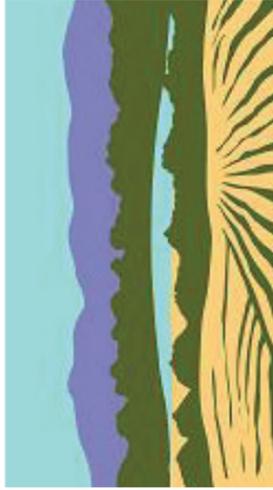
OFFSETTING COST . . . GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE

The library and building committee intends to seek grants from library and municipal funding sources. The bond must pass in order to apply for and receive these grants. There are other grants the library may be eligible to apply for, with matching funds. Awarded grant funds will offset costs of a new library, thus shortening the loan term.

"Perhaps no place in any community is so totally democratic as the town library. The only entrance requirement is interest."
-Lady Bird Johnson

Informational Meeting and Discussion

Saturday | January 24th, 2013 | 10 AM



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