

## Casco Memorial School Building Project Questionnaire Results

YES for Future Funding 188

NO for Future Funding 379

### YES Comments for Future Funding

- Need more information before final decision. For example, what will the environmental remediation costs at the Casco Memorial School site be and in light of such costs should an alternative site be reconsidered.
- Get this over with!
- Build New!!!
- Depending on cost for remediation.
- Build New!
- On new only No for retrofit only want new building
- Let's start in 2012
- As a relatively new year-round homeowner/resident, we hope the decision is to build new, to green standards. The town office is often a first impression for new residents, and an ongoing impression for established residents. Spend the \$, it's worth it!
- Dear Casco Selectboard, My husband, William Lemessurier, died on June 14, 2007. He cannot vote anymore.
- Bids should go to all local/Casco contractors before it goes out to bid by others. We have a good number of perfectly qualified people to handle this project!
- Building should be demolished and new structure constructed. Where is that choice offered?
- I believe each taxpayer and registered voter should have gotten a vote. If that were the case-you would be getting 3 yes to continue funding to use the Casco Memorial School as the Town Office.
- Does this mean I can now vote! As a taxpayer? Yeah!
- For new bldg.? if current bldg.. needs too much retrofit & work.
- We need a town office. Best to build a new building.
- This would cost me about \$2.50/month-Let's move on with a NEW town hall.
- Build new
- Funding for new building
- Please tear down and build new. Thank you. Get'er done.
- Build new
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- Definitely feel the size of the school is worth the cost instead of TD Bank which will be outgrown too soon.
- Build new!

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## NO Comments for Future Funding

- Not at those rates.
- TD Bank Better site
- Reopen Bank Site!
- Money should be spent putting the town office in the village-NO MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL!!
- In good spirit of a community, I would contribute and support Casco. However since the unrepresented tax increase by a factor  $\times 3^+$ , additional funding is Definate NO!
- Sell it we already have one built.
- Stop all the spending and start lowering our taxes.
- Sell it and reduce the tax rate!
- the building it's in now is working just fine!! Not being open on the only day the majority of us have off. I hope results in my taxes going down!!!
- P.S. What about Crooked River School, has it been considered? We need to start saving money some were.
- Enough is enough.
- It will be another community center project, once you get in there it will be more work than anticipated and will end up costing more.
- (Ten cents on the tax mill rate was circled and these comments were added)-Sure its not for another Raise for Morton? You got to be kidding Your strangling us as is!! The Casco Select Board=needs to consider the Tax Payers This project should have been done as soon as the school was closed. Why the long wait t6o see the Building Deteriorate-Another stupid move!
- Sell the building
- This was address to both of us but, you only put in one ballot. What's up with that?
- Am tired of Mill Rates & taxe's going up live on fixed income in todays ecomeny should be looking at ways of not spending money for extras except for what town all ready pays for all year around for maintenance of roads, building maint. plowing roads, etc. Today this year is first time I've ever said no.
- How much would the former TD Bank cost?
- ?-It sounds like this project could very well become the money pit. however, I question my no vote because there are no other alternatives to this project listed in order to compare financial cost estimates. Thank you
- Please use the Bank Building or add on where the previous office Sinking money into an old building will go way over budget and all you are left with is a refurbished old building.
- Why-What is the hurry? We NEED to elect a NEW/SMART Group of folks to Run this Town-
- Have the Town Office in the New Community Building that the Community can't use, but we still have to pay for it!
- Tear Casco Memorial Down & Keep Town Office where it is now. or sue TD Bank Building.
- Tear it down-and stay where you are! Reduce/Trim your Workforce!!!! use TD Bank
- (TD Bank site was circled and these comments were added)-move here
- My taxes are high enough
- **WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE CURRENT TOWN OFFICES? DOES TOWN GOVERNMENT NOT UNDERSTAND THAT THE ECONOMY SUCKS, A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE OUT OF WORK & SIMPLY DON'T HAVE THE MONEY IN THEIR POCKETS FOR THE TOWN TO SUCK OUT. WHEN DOES IT STOP! MAYBE TOWN ADMINISTRATORS DON'T THINK \$.10 IS A LOT OF MONEY TO ADD TO MY TAX BILL BUT QUITE FRANKLY ONE PENNY IS TOO MUCH. PLANS FOR NEW STRUCTURES NEED TO BE DELAYED UNTIL THE ECONOMY IMPROVES. NO BRAINER WAKE UP & BE RESPONSIBLE.**

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## NO Comments for Future Funding

- As pr owner @ Point Sebago we are unable to access pay town school. why do we pay??
- Sell the Building the Town Hall is Fine where it is.
- My taxes are now higher than the property value is worth.
- I don't see how you can justify spending \$500,000 - \$750,000 when there is a building already available. Would it occur to anyone that this would be just a waste of money? Just remove the building and put in a soccer field if you feel the need to spend money.
- Mainly because you didn't ask me anything about the \$7000,000 last year and my 2012 Tax going up \$1000.00 this year!
- Casco valuations are way above the market value.
- Save the struggling taxpayers who haven't had a increase in their paychecks for years! and stay in the building your in now! Add a simple small wood structure for storage-Think of us! We will be following this matter.
- "environmental issues" are a potential bottomless pit-could be very expensive. sell the school property! Town hall should be back in the town center.
- Town Hall belongs in the Village
- The town hall belongs in the village
- Burn old school down
- Demolish the building and use some of the other buildings for the town office!
- Sell the school property, get it back on the tax rolls & keep town hall in the town center, please!
- Taxes are too high already. Must be lowered. Recent increases must come down.
- Our Taxes keep going up every year as a person on Social Security. I can't afford all these increases. Government has to learn to live within their means like the rest of us.
- Waste of money Build a brand new building between Central station & what you are using now. Spend the money be done with it.
- Use TD Bank Bldg
- The whole move from the old building that was rebuilt then not housing the town hall. Throws me. I don't need a gym. Do the thing that helps the many over the few. Keep Casco. Small! Thanks for my voter opinion.
- Impractical and unnecessary to convert or build such a large building. Keep the offices in town-close to library, church & store.
- We are dubious that a large elementary school building requiring major renovation costs should be required for what is basically a small office. The Bank building would have been much more appropriate or construct small office building from scratch.
- I believe that the former Casco Memorial School building should be demolished and environmental issues attended to. construction of a NEW town hall should take place ONLY after the Town of Cascop receives 'per pupil' monies from the State of Maine that they received prior to the towns last revaluation
- Property should be rented to a business to help make money to pay for ned renovations ie Doctor's Office Dentist etc.
- Note: I will not be voting for any funding until after the re-evaluation.
- Rip old building down
- Based on the mill rate, spending has increased approximately 12% each of the last two years. Do your job! Casco is not Obamaville.
- What's wrong with new building in village built when old town office was torn down?

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- Which Building has the best saleable value? As I have no record of the evaluations of any of the Consulting Engineers/Sebago Technics, I must vote No at this time. Our holdings in South Casco are in Trusts referring this ballot to me.

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Comments for Future Funding  
(Did not vote YES or NO)

- Yes only funds necessary for item below—Need a thorough and complete understanding of environmental issues before an intelligent answer can be forth coming!
- Yes-I would be interested in seeing the town offices near the library, etc.-TD Bank site  
No-to Rte. 11  
If it is worthwhile for the town to hold onto the real estate on Route 11-but given that renovations are approx.. the same as new construction-the TD site is preferable.
- I am 80+. You young make the best selection P.S. I like the town “as is”.
- We vote you to make a decision. You are not able to do this. Shame on all 5 of you. My vote is to replace you all.
- I'd be in favor of keeping the town office where it is. if an addition is needed ok. But the lower cost the better if a change is needed.
- We feel we do not have enough information to vote one way or the other. Does the Town of Casco need the property or the building? Why not sell it? With no funds to repair the roof, the building certainly suffers over time!
- Don't know about these sites so can't advise.
- We would very much like to support this. However, in the 3 years we have owned property in lovely Casco, our taxes have gone up more than 28%-in just three years!!! If you use the additional \$1500+ each year for the building project, we are all for it! However, we are not in favor of a property tax increase.
- Do not know enough to vote, will leave this up to year round residence.
- If you need money, get it from your crooked thieving assessor! The Casco Select Board has definitely lost their minds! Tax payers do not grow money trees in their back yard!
- Yes-Repair only No-not for new building a) you do not offer some alternative use of the Memorial School if the project does not move forward. b) Now that the town office hours are reduced and impractical for working people I do not favor building new.