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[CE SBAC] Cape Elizabeth School Building Advisory Committee "Additional information needed"

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Subject: Additional information needed

Message Body:

In filling out the school questionnaire, the following thoughts occurred to me:

1) The Estimated Tax Impacts are calculated on a median home value of \$700K. It would be very helpful to see those impacts for first and second quartile homes published in the Courier. The focus for many people has been on percentage tax increase.

But a different perspective emerges when you look at the monthly cost difference between Designs E, C and B. For people with less expensive homes, the monthly costs are not so intimidating. And even for others, the monthly difference between Design E and C is only \$9.

2) In deciding among the plans, we don't see the cost of doing nothing. It would be helpful to see the estimated tax impact due to future maintenance costs for all three schools if taxpayers vote against any construction/renovation now. Ideally, we could see the MS maintenance cost for plans C and B as well as for doing nothing.

3) Some of the public comments on 4/10 described the renovation proposal from 1993. It would be very helpful to publicize the consequences and cost of no action.

A 10/26/22 article in the PPH says "Crumbling infrastructure stems from the town's choice in 1993 to renovate the rambling and piecemeal structure that is the middle and elementary schools for \$11.7 million instead of building new for \$16 million-\$18 million. The 1993 renovation was supposed to give the town another 20 years of useful life, but now, almost 30 years later, it's past time for action."

It didn't look like very many people attended the April 10 presentation, so providing additional information in the Courier is the best way to reach voters.

Thanks, Gail

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