

TO: The Chilmark Selectmen
FROM: The Chilmark Community Center Advisory Committee
DATE: May 15, 2012
TOPIC: Request for Approval: Spring/Fall 2012 Plans to Upgrade the Chilmark Community Center

Background:

This committee has been meeting over the past year, reviewing the physical plant of the community center and meeting with an architect, as well as representatives from groups that use the center most frequently - such as the Town Affairs Council, the Chilmark School and the MV Film Festival. We've also met with other interested parties, such as the Chilmark Historical Commission and Chilmark Library. In talking with the architect and committee, these different groups have given their feedback to help determine these recommendations.

When we met with selectmen a few months ago, we gave a heads-up about making a multi-year plan for upgrades, as finances and town approval permit. After much discussion, we are now making these first recommendations for upgrades to the community center.

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Spring/Fall Budget:

For our immediate projects this spring/fall, it is recommended that the monies for these upgrades come from available funding from the Chilmark Town Joint Maintenance Fund. The Town Affairs Council (TAC) will provide additional funding.

Spring, 2012

<u>Project:</u>	<u>Estimated Cost:</u>	<u>Funder:</u>
Increase Parking- 10 spaces	\$3,000	TAC
Move Shed and Propane Tank	1,000	TAC
Eliminate Dumpster	500	TAC
Install WIFI	500	TAC
Install Kitchen Hand Sink	2,900	Town

Spring Budget Explanation:

Parking

- Please see attached architect drawing to add 10 additional parking spaces to the eastern side of the building, near the children's climbing structure.
- Three quotes have been submitted for this project, all within the estimation cited in the budget.
- Current parking rails all around the building will remain, with new rails added in the fall.
- A short guard rail fence is needed to block off the end of the parking area from the play area.
- Because this plan would bring cars much closer to the climbing structure, it will also require a stronger fence around the climbing structure. Monies will be needed for this,

costs divided evenly between 1/3 Nursery School, 1/3 Town and 1/3 TAC. This fence is to be built so that it can be removable for the summer.

Move Shed and Propane Tank

- Adding the parking requires moving the shed and propane tank a few feet south. The shed will be brought further forward a few feet west, between the trees.
- The propane tank will be placed out of view, behind the shed.
- A few bushes may also need to be moved a few feet south, for landscaping.

Eliminate Dumpster

- The dumpster and fence around it will both be removed, that space to be turned into parking spaces.

Install WIFI

- WIFI will be installed in the utility room to the left of the community center entranceway, where the phone is – also known as the Coat Room or the Nurse Area, depending on users.
- This WIFI will have the capability to turn off or on

Install Kitchen Hand Sink

- This is a step in the right direction for upgrading kitchen use for school lunches and other events. Facing road, installed on wall west of drop-counter.

Fall, 2012

We would also like your approval for the following fall project so that we can move forward planning for it:

Upgrade Sliding Doors	\$16,500	Town/TAC
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Fall Budget Explanation:

- Time to upgrade the sliding doors with a similar type of barn door style, with soundproofing, so that both rooms can be used simultaneously. 1/3 Town (\$5,500), 2/3 TAC (\$11,000). Work to be done during October.

We are requesting your immediate approval of these projects for spring work to begin.

Future Projects to Consider for Discussion:

Fall, 2013

New Floor	\$66,700	Town/TAC
Vestibule	\$37,000-70,000	Town