Pompositticut/Center Elementary School

403 Great Road Stow, MA 01775

APPLICANT

Stow Elementary School Building Committee c/o William Wrigley, Town Administrator 380 Great Road Stow, MA 01775

PREPARED BY



Cambridge, Massachusetts

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ARCHITECTURE ENGINEERING PLANNING INTERIORS

SMMA Symmes Maini & McKee Associates

November 4, 2009

Secretary of the Commonwealth Massachusetts Historical Commission 220 Morrissey Boulevard Boston, MA 02125-3314

Re: Pompositticut/Center Elementary School

Project Notification Form

SMMA No. 09020.00

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the Stow Elementary School Building Committee (the Applicant), SMMA is pleased to submit for your consideration the enclosed Project Notification Form for the planned addition and renovation to the existing Center School at 403 Great Road in Stow, MA. The Applicant is requesting that the Commission permit the demolition of an existing stone building listed on the State Inventory of Historic Assets of the Commonwealth (Inventory No. STW 180) in order to allow construction of the Project.

The Project includes partial demolition and renovation of the existing school and construction of a new building addition. The new building will combine the educational programs of the existing Pompositticut Elementary School (grades K-2) and the Center Elementary School (grades 3-5) into a single 98,030 square foot facility at the Center School site.

The Applicant has discussed the Project with the Stow Historic Commission and will continue work with its members to determine the best way to memorialize the historic use of the site moving forward.

We look forward to reviewing the Project with the Commission in more detail. If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at (617) 520-9253.

Very truly yours,

SYMMES MAINI & MCKEE ASSOCIATES

James Warren Associate

cc: PJP, LBF, ESBC, CMS (MF)

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PROJECT NOTIFICATION FORM

Project Name <u>Stow Pompositticut/Center Elementary School</u>

Location/Address 403 Great Road

City/Town Stow, Massachusetts 01775

Project Proponent:

Name Stow Elementary School Building Committee c/o William Wrigley, Town Administrator

Address 380 Great Road

City/Town/Zip/Telephone Stow, MA 01775-2127 (978) 897-4514

Agency license or funding for the project (list all licenses, permits, approvals, grants or other entitlements being sought from state and federal agencies)

Agency Name	<u>Type of License or Funding (specify)</u>
MSBA	School Building Assistance Funding
MassDEP	Public Water Supply Permit
MEPA	ENF Certificate
EPA	NPDES General Permit for Construction Activities

Project Description (narrative):

The Project includes construction of a new addition and comprehensive renovations to the existing Center Elementary School. The new building will combine the educational program of the Pompositticut Elementary School (grades K-2) and the Center Elementary School, (grades 3-5) into a single 98,030 sf facility at the Center School site at 403 Great Road in Stow, Massachusetts. The Project includes new building construction; abatement and demolition of portions of the existing building; comprehensive renovation of the existing Center School; and construction of access drives, parking, playfields and associated site work.

Does the project include demolition? If so, specify nature of demolition and describe the building(s) which are proposed for demolition.

Yes. The Project includes partial demolition the existing Center School building and demolition of an existing stone building known as the Larsen Apple Barn. The Larsen Apple Barn is listed on the State Inventory of Historic Assets of the Commonwealth (Inventory No. STW 180). Demolition of the Apple Barn is necessary to accommodate the increased program for the site including construction of the visitor parking lot, parent drop-off circulation and student playgrounds. Multiple options were explored during the Schematic Design phase to preserve the Barn and incorporate it into the school program however, it was determined that the Barn was impractical to be re-used for educational program and presented multiple site-planning issues due to its central location, elevated floor slab and overall size. Due to the large size of the building it would be impractical to move the building. Therefore, the Proponent is currently exploring options to incorporate the salvaged stone and sundial into the proposed building. The Proponent will continue to work with the Stow Historical Commission to determine the best re-use of the salvaged materials and to memorialize the Larsen Apple Barn and historic use of the site into the proposed Project. Photographs of the Larsen Apple Barn are included in Appendix 1.

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Does the project include rehabilitation of any existing buildings? If so, specify nature of rehabilitation and describe the building(s) which are proposed for rehabilitation.

Yes, the Project includes the rehabilitation the existing Center Elementary School building. Renovations include abatement of hazardous materials, mechanical upgrades and typical renovations to bring the building up to code and improve the overall aesthetic of the building.

Does the project include new construction? If so, describe (attach plans and elevations if necessary).

Yes. The Project includes the construction of a new addition to the existing Center School building. The new addition will be approximately 70,230 sf and will consist of single-story community spaces (gymnasium, cafeteria, mechanical spaces etc.) and a two-story classroom wing. Detailed plans and elevations are included in Appendix 2.

To the best of your knowledge, are any historic or archaeological properties known to exist within the project's area of potential impact? If so, specify.

Yes. The Larsen Apple Barn is included on the State Inventory of Historic Assets with a property name of Center School Grounds (Inventory No. STW 180).

The site also includes a historic Blacksmith Shop that was moved to the site from Maynard in 1914. The Blacksmith Shop is not currently listed on the state register however it is recognized as a historic building. The Proponent is currently working with the Stow Historic Commission to find a suitable location for the Blacksmith Shop to be moved. There are no plans to demolish the building however it must be moved to accommodate the increased program for the Project. Photographs of the Blacksmith Shop are included in Appendix 1

The Center School Building is not listed as a Historic Asset of the Commonwealth.

MHC base map no. 64 revealed no Pre-historical Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth mapped in the project site location.

What is the total acreage of the project area? 17 acres

Woodland	7	acres	Productive Resources:		
Wetland	2	acres	Agriculture	0	acres
Floodplain	0	acres	Forestry	0	acres
Open Space	0	acres	Mining/Extraction	0	acres
Developed	8	acres	Total Project Acreage	17	acres

What is the acreage of the proposed new construction? 12 acres

What is the present land use of the project area?

Institutional.

Please attach a copy of the section of the USGS quadrangle map, which clearly marks the project location.

See Attached.

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APPENDIX A (continued)

This Project Notification Form has been submitted to the MHC in compliance with 950 CMR 71.00.

Signature of Person submitting this form ______ aun Man _____ Date: ______ Date: ______

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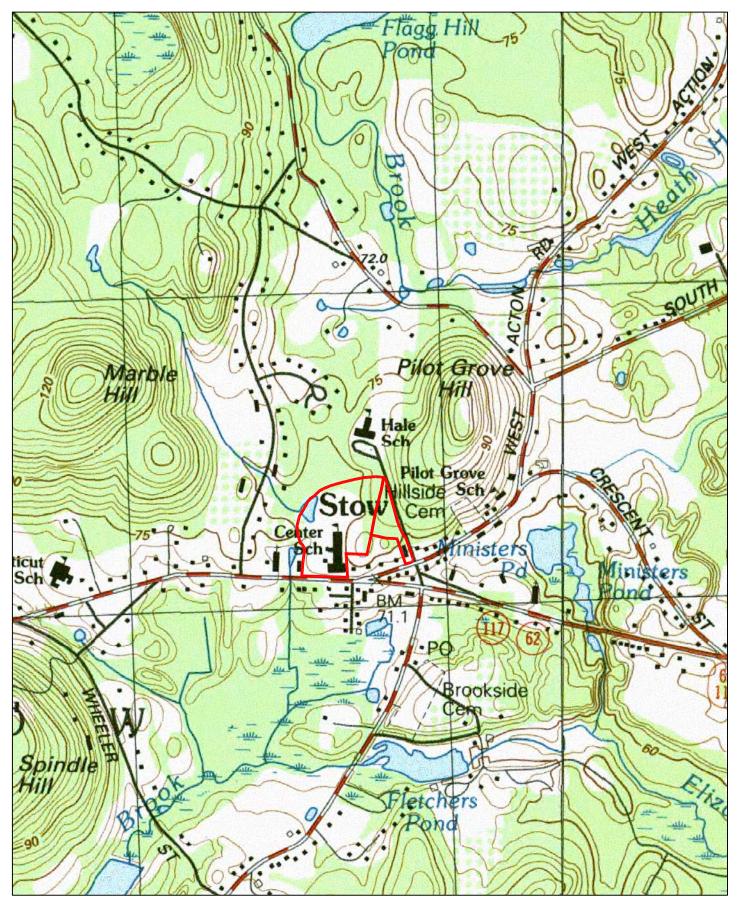
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APPENDIX 1 – SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

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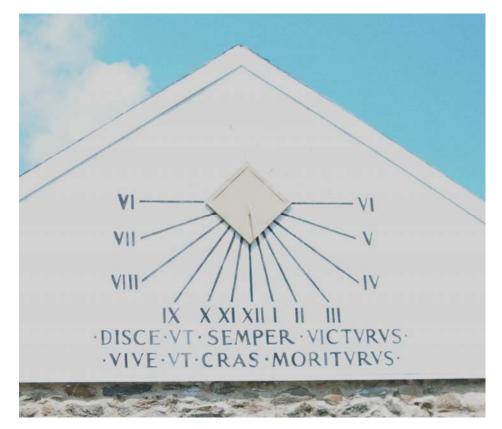


VIEW LOOKING NORTH





VIEW LOOKING SOUTH



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LARSEN APPLE BARN – EXISTING CONDITIONS PHOTOS



VIEW LOOKING NORTH



VIEW LOOKING SOUTH

BLACKSMITH SHOP – EXISTING CONDITIONS PHOTOS

BLACKSMITH SHOP – EXISTING CONDITIONS PHOTOS





VIEW LOOKING WEST





EXISTING BUILDING ALONG GREAT ROAD - LOOKING EAST



CLASSROOM & MECHNICAL WING TO BE DEMOLISHED. APPLE BARN IN BACKGROUND.

CENTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – EXISTING CONDITIONS PHOTOS



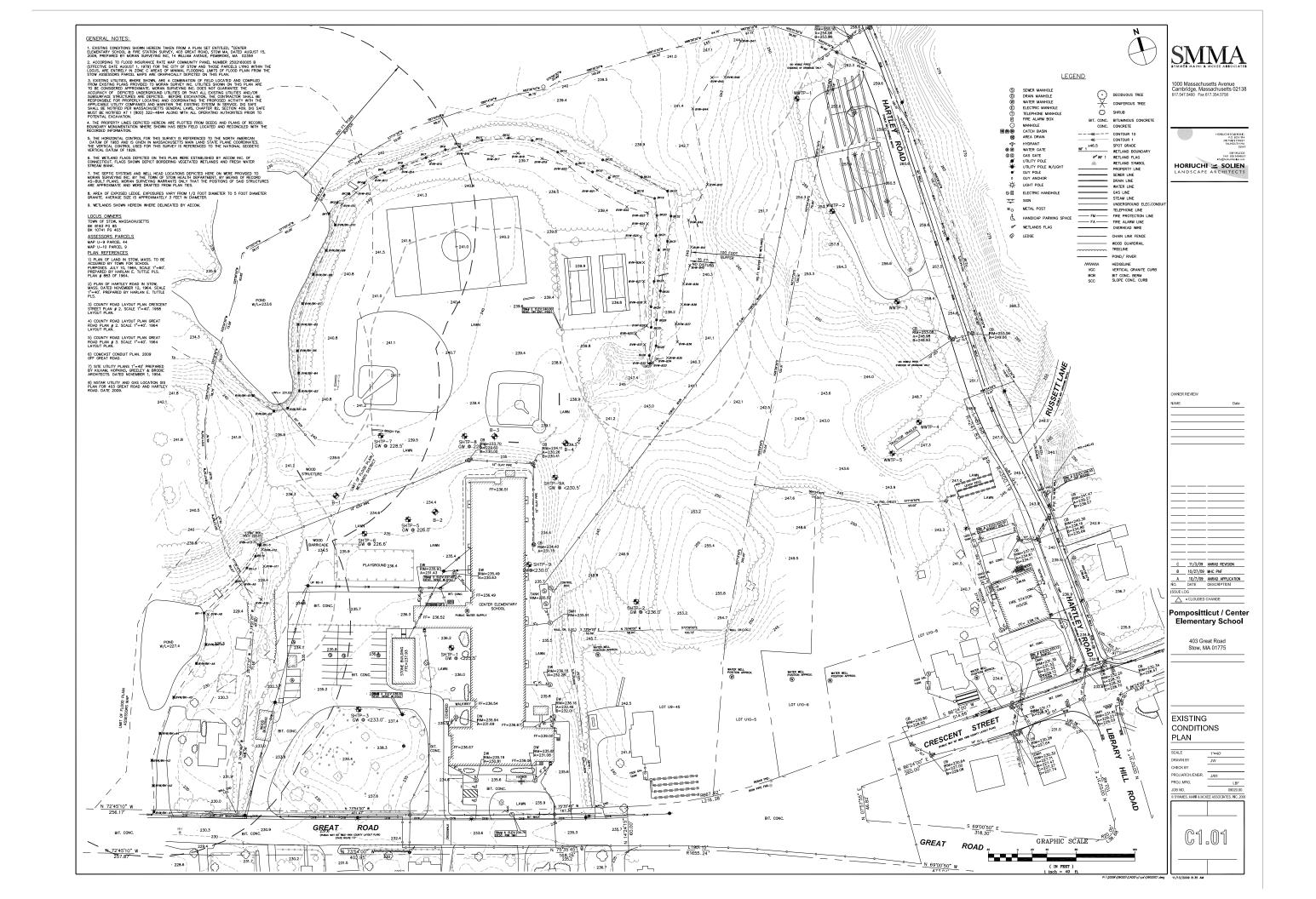
EXISTING CLASSROOM WING - EAST ELEVATION LOOKING NORTH

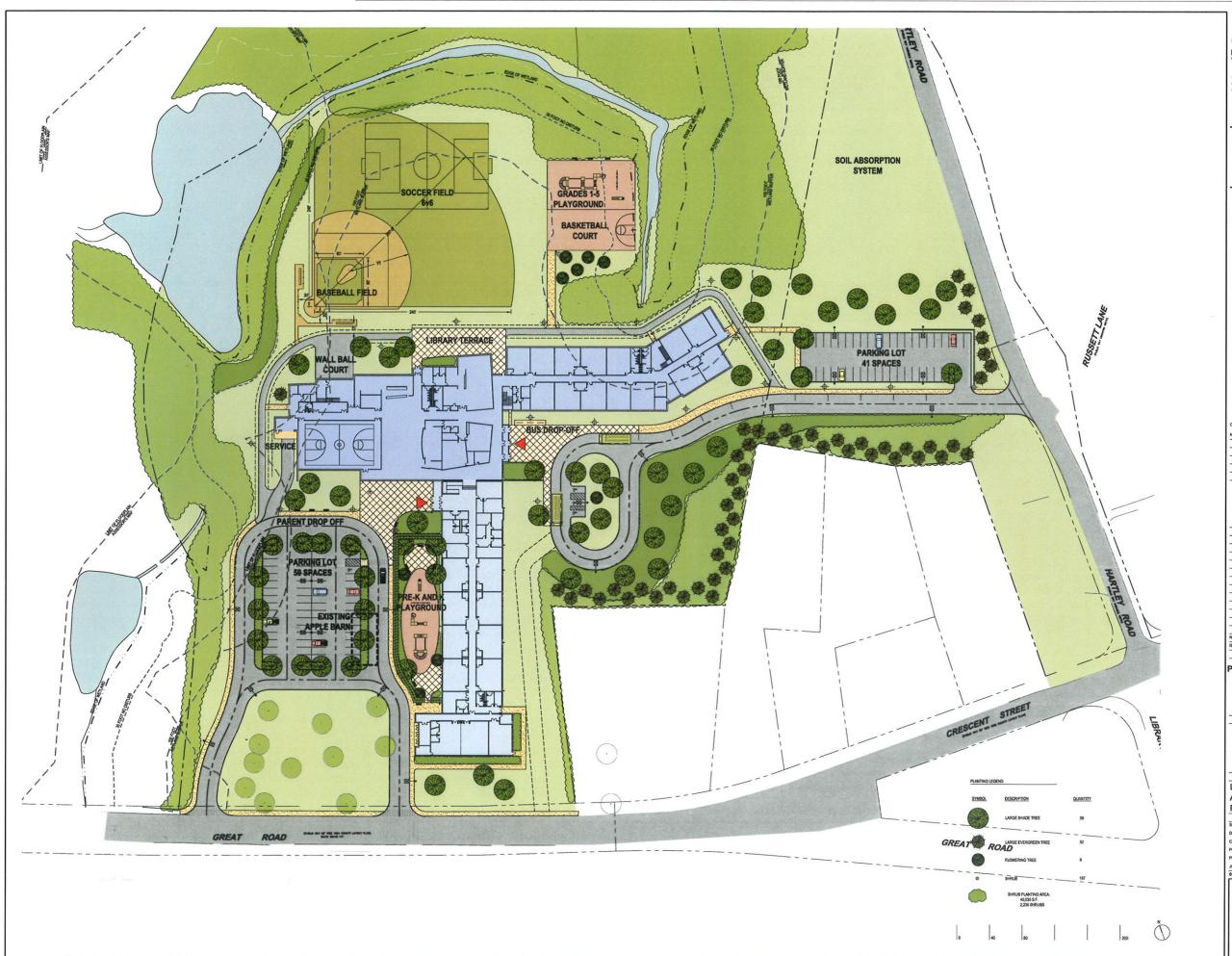


EXISTING CLASSROOM WING – EAST ELEVATION LOOKING SOUTH

CENTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – EXISTING CONDITIONS PHOTOS

APPENDIX 2 – PROJECT PLANS





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PERSPECTIVE VIEW FROM NORTHWEST N.T.S.





PERSPECTIVE VIEW FROM NORTHEAST N.T.S.

DERSPECTIVE VIEW FROM SOUTHEAST



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