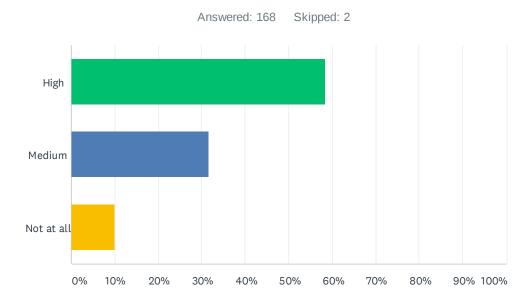
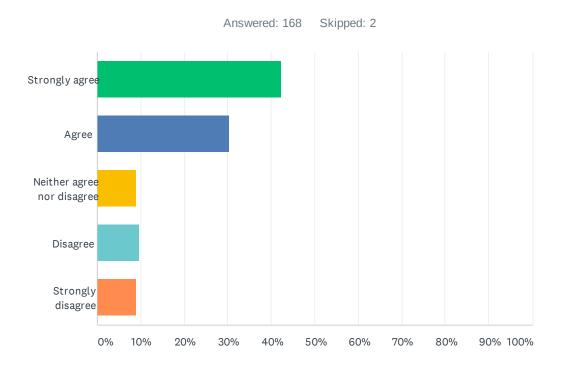
### Q1 How important is it to you to retain the historical character of Stow?



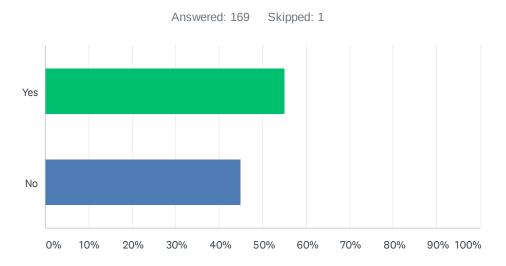
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
High	58.33%	98
Medium	31.55%	53
Not at all	10.12%	17
TOTAL		168

### Q2 The Stow Town Hall is an important historic building defining the look of Stow.



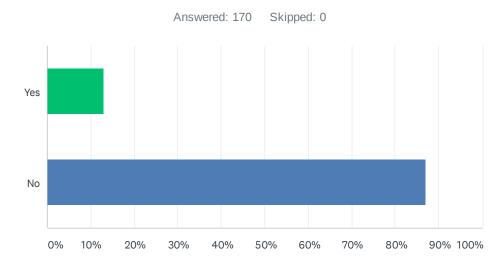
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	42.26%	1
Agree	30.36%	1
Neither agree nor disagree	8.93%	5
Disagree	9.52%	6
Strongly disagree	8.93%	5
TOTAL	16	8

# Q3 Have you attended a function at the Historic 1848 Town Hall (not the Town Building) during the past 5 years?



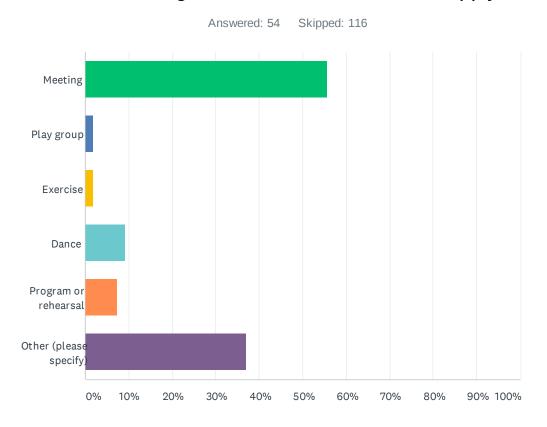
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	55.03%	93
No	44.97%	76
TOTAL		169

# Q4 Are you a member of a group that is currently using or has recently used the Town Hall on a regular basis?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	12.94%	22
No	87.06%	148
TOTAL		170

# Q5 If you are a current user of the Town Hall, please check off the type of function usage. Please check off all that apply:



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Meeting	55.56%	30
Play group	1.85%	1
Exercise	1.85%	1
Dance	9.26%	5
Program or rehearsal	7.41%	4
Other (please specify)	37.04%	20
Total Respondents: 54		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	N/A	3/7/2021 5:17 PM
2	I went to the prior public meeting regarding Town Hall restoration. I spoke against spending such a large amount for any of the above reasons (meeting, play group, exercise, dance or program or rehearsal)	3/5/2021 12:11 PM
3	Not using	3/5/2021 3:49 AM
4	Public forums and meetings	2/28/2021 8:13 PM
5	Stow Conservation Trust annual meeting/potluck - before COVID	2/28/2021 1:34 PM
6	Na	2/27/2021 6:55 AM
7	Concerts *Black Eagles Jazz Band), Movies (Spring Fest) , Shows (Town History exhibits), Debates (recorded on Stow-TV, etc.s	2/26/2021 1:44 AM
8	NOT ATTENDED ANY MEETINGS, DANCE GROUPS OR EXERCISE GROUPS	2/25/2021 3:12 PM
9	Lion's Club Silent Movie at Spring Fest	2/21/2021 3:46 AM
10	Educational seminars on HeatSmart heatpumps	2/19/2021 8:02 PM
11	none	2/19/2021 1:44 PM
12	None	2/19/2021 12:16 PM
13	N/A	2/19/2021 9:18 AM
14	Occasional meeting when space in the Town Building is not available.	2/18/2021 11:00 PM
15	None	2/18/2021 6:50 PM
16	No	2/18/2021 5:59 PM
17	None	2/18/2021 5:28 PM
18	movies from Lions	2/18/2021 4:50 PM
19	Springfest	2/18/2021 4:48 PM
20	no	2/18/2021 4:43 PM

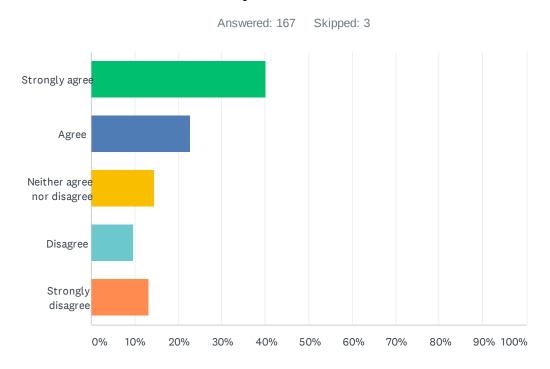
### Q6 How often? With which group?

Answered: 44 Skipped: 126

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Every other week in the before times. Still River sword team	3/7/2021 10:11 PM
2	N/A	3/7/2021 5:17 PM
3	once for the meeting.	3/5/2021 12:11 PM
4	Sustainability meeting sponsored by Planning Board.	3/4/2021 8:57 PM
5	Formerly, the Historical Commission.	3/4/2021 8:37 PM
6	Not disclosed	3/4/2021 7:54 PM
7	1. Stow Historical Society (annually). 2. Conservation Commision (anually).	3/4/2021 11:30 AM
8	AA. Weekly	3/4/2021 9:25 AM
9	When the Town Hall was open maybe 5+ times a year. Stow Historical Society, Stow Conservation Trust, SpringFest Silent Films, SHS 3rd grade program	3/4/2021 8:45 AM
10	Monthly with Garden Club We moved due to parking and accessibility	3/1/2021 10:21 AM
11	Historical Society,	3/1/2021 9:01 AM
12	N/A	2/28/2021 8:13 PM
13	Annual silent movie night during Springfest. Boy Scout Eagle Scout ceremonies	2/28/2021 8:06 PM
14	Annually with the Stow Conservation Trust and several times per year with the Stow Historica Society. Also in some years with the OARS Watershed group.	2/28/2021 5:59 PM
15	3 or 4 times a year. LWV candidates night, public forums, conservation trust annual meeting.	2/28/2021 3:50 PM
16	Once a year. Although one year we went to Pompo because we had an outdoor bird talk as part of the program.	2/28/2021 1:34 PM
17	annually	2/27/2021 12:03 PM
18	Na	2/27/2021 6:55 AM
19	conservation has often had their meetings in the old town hall and potlucks concerts -its a wonderful place for concerts dancing - need a wood sprung floor if possible	2/26/2021 4:18 PM
20	Conservation, Planning Board, Still River Sword dance group	2/26/2021 2:52 PM
21	At least once each year (bands, movies, talks, exhibits)	2/26/2021 1:44 AM
22	Town Committee or public meeting, hearing, Stow public office candidate forum conducted by the league of Women Voters, overflow meeting space for Stow Town public meetings when audience population is too large for the town building, and meetings of local nonprofit organizations such as Stow Conservation Land Trust.	2/25/2021 10:45 PM
23	NONE	2/25/2021 3:12 PM
24	Stow Conservation Trust annual meeting/potluck occasional exercise classes - Senior Fitness/Stow COA Library Director Search Committee - held interviews there Candidates Night - League of Women Voters	2/23/2021 5:30 PM
25	annually	2/22/2021 6:03 PM
26	Stow Conservation Trust, used it Sustainable Stow for town meetings & presentations	2/21/2021 4:17 PM
27	Lion's Club Silent Movie at Spring Fest	2/21/2021 3:46 AM
28	1	2/20/2021 3:28 PM
29	Dance 4 hours per week	2/20/2021 1:04 AM
30	Planning board, sporadic	2/19/2021 10:05 PM
31	We did several across the year befor Covid. The group was Sustainable Stow	2/19/2021 8:02 PM
32	none	2/19/2021 1:44 PM

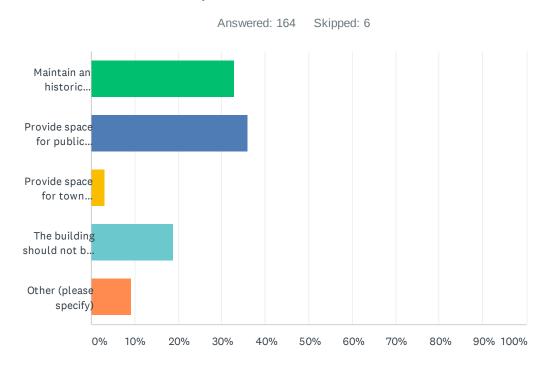
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33	Our handspinning group used to meet in the Old Town hall twice a month, year round.	2/19/2021 10:49 AM
34	N/A	2/19/2021 9:18 AM
35	On occasion. Planning Board.	2/18/2021 11:00 PM
36	Planning Board	2/18/2021 8:50 PM
37	Twice per year, with the Villages at Stow Homeowners' Association, before our meetings were moved to Pompo	2/18/2021 8:25 PM
38	Never	2/18/2021 6:50 PM
39	Yearly with Stow Conservation Trust	2/18/2021 5:57 PM
40	I took a yoga class there but not sure how long ago that was.	2/18/2021 4:54 PM
41	once a yearLions	2/18/2021 4:50 PM
42	0	2/18/2021 4:43 PM
43	Planning Board meetings	2/18/2021 4:26 PM
44	Have attended various public meetings and hearings there over the years	2/18/2021 2:22 PM

# Q7 Stow Town Hall should be restored to preserve it and to increase its usability to all residents



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Strongly agree	40.12%
Agree	22.75% 38
Neither agree nor disagree	14.37% 24
Disagree	9.58% 16
Strongly disagree	13.17%
TOTAL	167

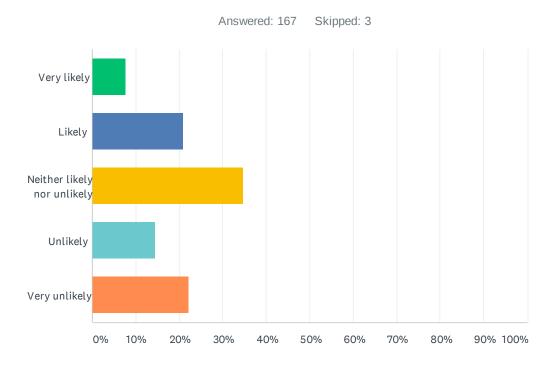
#### Q8 What is the most important reason to renovate the Town Hall?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Maintain an historic building	32.93%	54
Provide space for public activities	35.98%	59
Provide space for town offices	3.05%	5
The building should not be renovated	18.90%	31
Other (please specify)	9.15%	15
TOTAL		164

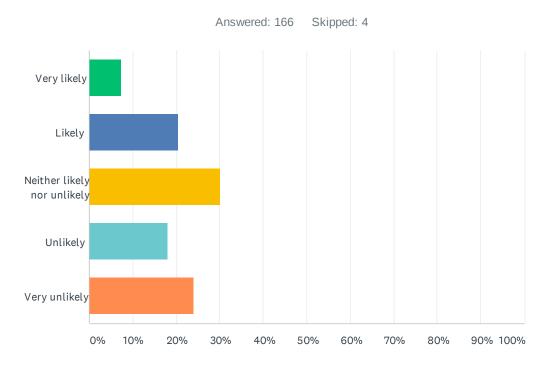
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Address any safety issues for current use, but limited, due to cost and Stow raising taxes too much every year.	3/7/2021 3:06 PM
2	I do not believe there is a good reason to spend so much money to preserve a building which doesn't have a reason to be preserved, other than the outside of it. All the "uses" for the building can be done at Pompo.	3/5/2021 12:12 PM
3	Should NOT be renovated. Too expensive and we now have Pompo for offices.	3/5/2021 9:58 AM
4	Make use of existing building	2/28/2021 8:14 PM
5	But I do not know what the earlier question means. Space is small, and no elevator from the low level. I always love attending events in the historic building, and love the look of the building. But being pragmatic - what will it cost? It will always be a small space with the only parking across the street.	2/28/2021 1:37 PM
6	Use it as a home for the Historical Society/Commission	2/27/2021 4:17 PM
7	The price tag is outrageous. Have you considered tearing it down and building a replica?	2/27/2021 12:05 PM
8	Make sure the space is safe and updated for town offices, and if possible provide space for public activities that cannot be accommodated by the library. Maintaining the historic aspect of the building should not increase cost or impede the function of updating the facilities, and I feel strongly that it is an unnecessary expense.	2/26/2021 10:41 AM
9	Maintain the historic outside appearance at the lowest cost. \$3 million is too much to spend to preserve the building.	2/22/2021 6:06 PM
10	Preserve history while creating a better space for public activities	2/21/2021 11:32 AM
11	Most cost effective options should be considered during this vulnerable phase of life. Priorities should be 1- provide a safe and healthy work space for town employees and 2) at the least possible cost. If preserving the historical features works at a fair cost, that would be a nice bonus, but if not, we can continue to have a wonderful community regardless.	2/19/2021 11:21 AM
12	I don't think millions should be spent on this project, just what is needed to maintain it, as other town space exists for public functions	2/19/2021 7:32 AM
13	Maintain history and useful main floor space. I'm not sure a lift is neededmaybe downstairs could be used for town storage.	2/18/2021 6:13 PM
14	If it needs it. The town shouldn't be wasting money to just to waste it. Holding on to the past only hurts our future	2/18/2021 4:41 PM
15	Preserve the historic look of the building, while bring the modern feel and technology inside.	2/18/2021 4:27 PM

### Q9 Are you interested in creating a "Friends of the Town Hall"?



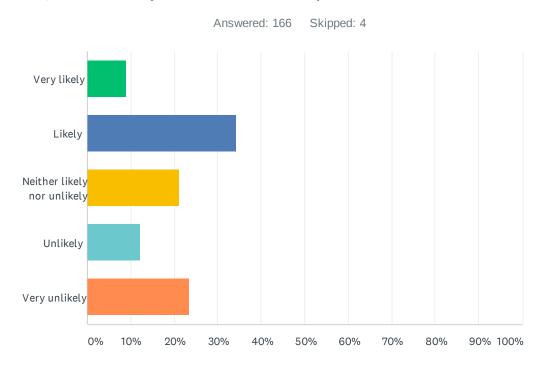
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Very likely	7.78% 13
Likely	20.96% 35
Neither likely nor unlikely	34.73% 58
Unlikely	14.37% 24
Very unlikely	22.16% 37
TOTAL	167

### Q10 Would you join an established "Friends of the Town Hall"?



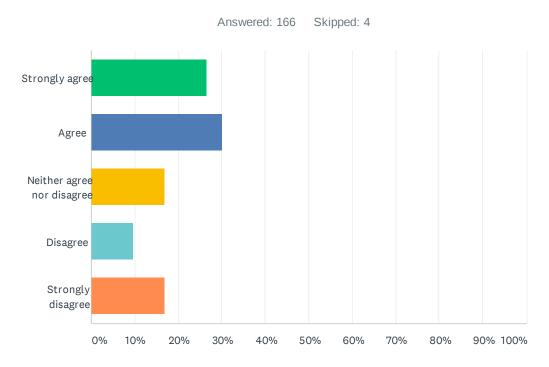
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very likely	7.23% 12	
Likely	20.48% 34	
Neither likely nor unlikely	30.12% 50	
Unlikely	18.07% 30	
Very unlikely	24.10% 40	
TOTAL	166	

### Q11 Would you donate to help fund the restoration?



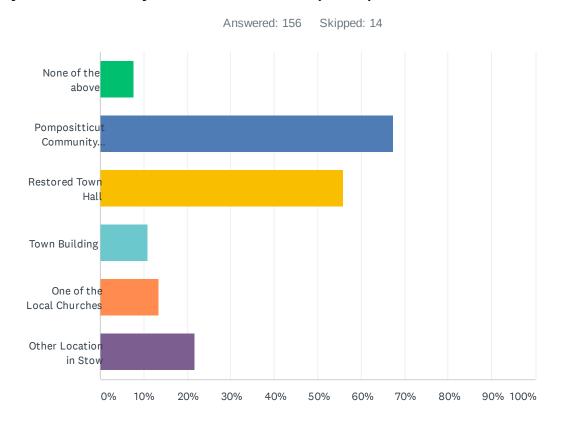
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very likely	9.04%	
Likely	34.34% 57	
Neither likely nor unlikely	21.08%	
Unlikely	12.05%	
Very unlikely	23.49% 39	
TOTAL	166	

### Q12 Stow Town Hall is an excellent building for town meetings and events.



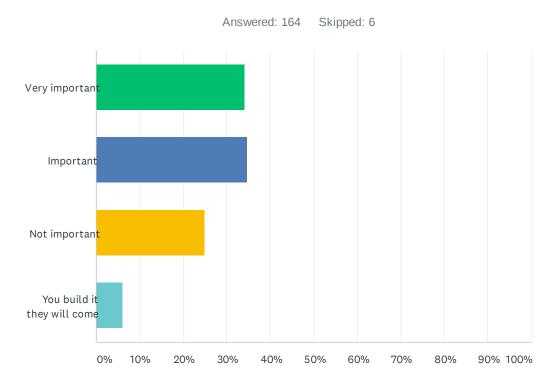
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	26.51% 44	
Agree	30.12% 50	
Neither agree nor disagree	16.87% 28	
Disagree	9.64% 16	
Strongly disagree	16.87% 28	
TOTAL	166	

### Q13 If the Town Hall were restored, which of the following buildings would you most likely use for events? (Multiple selections allowed)



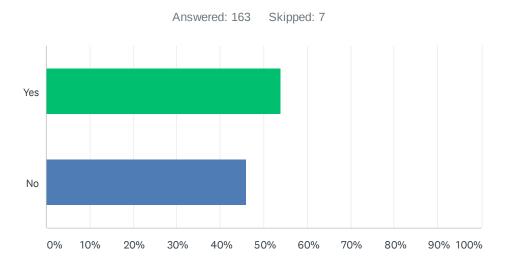
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	7.69%	12
Pompositticut Community Center	67.31%	105
Restored Town Hall	55.77%	87
Town Building	10.90%	17
One of the Local Churches	13.46%	21
Other Location in Stow	21.79%	34
Total Respondents: 156		

# Q14 How important is it to define the future uses of the building in your decision to support the renovation/restoration?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very important	34.15%	56
Important	34.76%	57
Not important	25.00%	41
You build it they will come	6.10%	10
TOTAL		164

# Q15 If the Town Hall was available for private functions, would you be interested in using it?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53.99%	88
No	46.01%	75
TOTAL	1	163

### Q16 Comments?

Answered: 61 Skipped: 109

#	RESPONSES	DATE
L	Only do the minimum necessary to save costs and to meet minimum ADA requirements. No frills. Retain as much of the original structure and features as possible.	3/6/2021 8:11 AM
2	Cut the costs to 1/3 by not using prevailing wage labor.	3/6/2021 4:16 AM
3	If this building is redone, and used for private rental, then the town AGAIN becomes a landlordlike the "private rental room" at Pompo. I do not believe there is sufficient need in this town for another private function room. Plus there is NO PARKING for this building, if used as a private party location.	3/5/2021 12:15 PM
ı	The price tag is ridiculous. While I support trying to restore the building, the cost of \$3.8 million is beyond stupid. The tax rate in Stow is already astronomical and the people running the town seem to think the taxpayer has unlimited resources. Stop pretending it's free money. It's taxes no matter what you call it, grant, loan, funding, etc. Stow has a history of financial mismanagement. No one ever investigated the mysterious loss of \$2000000 from the Schools back in 1991. The DOR had to come in a few years later, again, because of financial mismanagement. Then the payoffs to George King and Superintendent Woods with no investigation or criminal charges brought. Enough is enough. Find some trust fund baby to pay for it or the 6 people who use the place to dance.	3/5/2021 11:25 AM
i	This is WAY too expensive- just to restore a building we all like, but which has no use anymore. Don't we need to fix the library? Pay for police cars?	3/5/2021 10:00 AM
5	A waste of money. Our roads are a mess and we desperately need sidewalks. Common sense	3/5/2021 3:53 AM
7	Preserve it, AND keep it usable for events.	3/4/2021 8:42 PM
3	None	3/4/2021 7:55 PM
)	Too expensive for limited potential use. Could remove and build a more useful modern structure but not sure the town needs it	3/4/2021 6:43 PM
LO	I am fully supportive on restoring the town hall to ensure it remains an iconic part of stow. I am not supportive of any renovation to increase space. While there is parking at the town building crossing 117 is dangerous. We have plenty of space at pompo that is available any other areas that can be built out easily at at less expense. While I have heard "this is not viable due to the area being for storage" I am sure additional storage can be found at a cost less than \$3.5m. I will support funding of restoration but not renovation	3/4/2021 9:32 AM
.1	This survey did not address the key question, which is should we spend \$3.5MM to restore the Town Hall. My love for the building is great, but I think that is too much to ask of the town for this purpose. I would support a lesser amount and wish we had options to choose from. If it's a yes/no on \$3.5mm, I'm afraid I'm a no.	3/1/2021 9:36 PM
12	The old town hall is a beautiful, interesting, historically significant building. In contrast, Pompo is sterile, uninviting, and poorly designed, in my opinion.	3/1/2021 7:28 PM
13	While I'm all for preserving historic buildings or items, it has to make sense from a project and financial perspective. While the Town Hall served a useful at one point in time, I strongly don't feel as though the project makes sense in today's standard. The property itself is un-attactive between two very busy roads. Parking is non existent for and hazardous for any sort of larger gathering. Cost to bring the existing structure up to functional use, as well as necessary code is non starter. Only thing that might be attractive or looking into is if Cross Street could be eliminated for public use, which would allow a more attractive setting. Third thought, take part of above, in addition to taking the land and creating green open space that would be attractive sight for driving through Stow. Ex - Gazebo or bandstand.	3/1/2021 4:14 PM
14	The Town Hall was the center of the community for decades. Growing up in Stow in the 50's and 60's I remember Town Meetings, school plays and concerts, dance lessons and dances, pot luck suppers, Fairs, scout meetings, Garden club Green Sales, Town/ School Nurse Clinics A very versatile use building	3/1/2021 10:30 AM
15	Big question: restoring a historical building with limited access, parking, etc. without detracting from original look and design?	2/28/2021 8:18 PM
16	I highly support the restoration of town Hall both to preserve our history and to provide space for community events.	2/28/2021 8:09 PM

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17	Good luck!	2/28/2021 3:53 PM
18	Might be a cool space to rent for a family event. (But I do remember someone - Mrs Katelle? - killed crossing the street). What does it cost to heat the building annually? I do not have a good idea of the cost to update the building. A good meeting space, but we have the library upstairs room, Pompo, St Isidore, Community Park, the church down from the library, the two local schools. How many places are needed? The three golf courses have club house spaces to rent. The Collings Center has a place to rent.	2/28/2021 1:47 PM
19	It's a logical place to house the Historical Society's multiple objects; to allow the Society to inform the citizens of its history.	2/27/2021 4:21 PM
20	we have also had numerous eagle scout ceremonies there. We should be proud of it	2/26/2021 4:21 PM
21	The lower level of Town Hall (basement) and main floor of the hall doesn't need to have a public access connection, just a restricted access stairway and no lift. Such users of the basement level without public access to the main floor of the hall might be Stow-TV (highly support), Stow Historical Commission, storage of historical artifacts, etc. Access to the basement level could be from Crescent St with a short extension of the right-of-way and sidewalk on the east side of the building (access doors already present). Such use of the basement level independently from the main level of the hall would provide a much higher usage of the hall since the upper and lower levels of the hall could be used simultaneously.	2/26/2021 2:13 AM
22	Having adequate ventilation and cooling systems would make meetings and use of the building more effective in warmer months, when street noise through open windows interferes with hearing and conducting the activities in the meeting hall.	2/25/2021 10:51 PM
23	Has the Town applied for any Historical Landmark Preservation funds, either National or State, or Private; in the minutes of the THRC, several sources were listed - were any of these pursued? In addition, perhaps developing a design that could be phased-in as funding becomes available would be more economical, as a \$3.5 million (and possibly more) outlay seems very expensive for the potential benefits at this time.	2/25/2021 8:31 PM
24	The Town Hall should take priority over the purchase of Stow Acres or any other land. Please do not put this off and then have the costs increase. The town should use CPA funds - which come from our taxes - and not have to hold fundraisers.	2/25/2021 4:48 PM
25	For the money that will be spend on renovating the OLD TOWN HALL the town could reduce the Tax Bill of the Home Owners. It seems that every year the Taxes on everyone's home is increasing. WHY I do not know. This \$3.5 million could be used to reduce everyone's Tax Bill. The Build is Old and it should be demolished. I do not feel that just because it is a Historical Building we need to spend that kind of Money.	2/25/2021 3:19 PM
26	Unless there is strong need for the building, Private donations should be looked for. There are many more important needs for public funds.	2/25/2021 2:17 PM
27	I think that preserving the exterior look and the main hall is important. The exterior is the only thing that needs to be retained historically. What is done inside to make it usable need not be historically correct except the main hall. I am interseted in knowing the thinking as to why there are no rest rooms planned for the main floor, even if you have a lift, which will probably be slow speed. Few people will use the basement rooms compared to the number that will use the main hall so it seems common sense to have the rest rooms where the people are. Imagine a group of 80 to 125 having to use a lift to reach a rest room. This is based on the only plan I have seen.	2/25/2021 12:10 PM
28	Thank you for reaching out!	2/23/2021 5:32 PM
29	Please consider doing projects costing less than \$300K per year to keep it usable. No lift, no kitchen, no A/C if it means the whole heating system has to be redone.	2/22/2021 6:10 PM
30	Stow built a new Town Hall several years ago and it was my assumption that it would replace the old Town Hall. My feeling as a taxpayer is that the old town hall and old fire station should either be used for affordable housing or sold to fund necessary items that are in the town budget. Restoring old buildings requires that the funding be provided for future renovations too. The location of the building is dangerous for citizens attempting to park and walk into the building. It is at an intersection that will continue to get busier in the future and has no room for parking. Perhaps the building could be sold and proceeds used to upgrade the new town hall.	2/21/2021 3:27 PM
31	It was difficult to answer some of the questions accurately at this point as I have not been in	2/21/2021 11:39 AM

changes to the structure and appearance required for accessibility etc. which would detract from the historic authenticity of the building. If I owned a Model T Ford, I would not be trying to

retrofit it with airbags and an anti-lock brake system.

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51	It is both irresponsible and morally criminal to waste any taxpayer money to refurbish that building when people are suffering the job loss and income deficit due to COVID. Anyone who thinks this is a sound usage of money needs to be voted out office and publicly scorned for utter incompetence. Sell the building. Demolish it whatever. Simply because something is old doesn't make it valuable. My god you people pursuing this ludicrous idea should be ashamed	2/18/2021 6:55 PM
52	Is there a public town site to see how the estimate of \$3.5 million is broken down it seems incredibly high.	2/18/2021 5:41 PM
53	The Town Hall Restoration is important, however, there should be multiple funding sources paying the \$3.5 million dollar price tag.	2/18/2021 5:14 PM
54	the town needs money for many other projects	2/18/2021 4:53 PM
55	I might be interested if taxes were not exclusively used for renovation. We built a town office building that should have been designed for more purposes than housing town offices. We have separate fire and police buildings. Why is none of this taken into consideration?	2/18/2021 4:47 PM
56	A very good idea to restore the Town Hall We restored the c 1860 Greek Revival house at Faxon Farm. This helps preserve the character of Stow.	2/18/2021 4:29 PM
57	It is such a beautiful space and adds to character of the town.	2/18/2021 3:18 PM
58	I would have answered "maybe" to the private functions question if that had been possible. I also would have liked to answer a questions about possible uses - a brainstorming question. For example, one can imagine a group of residents buying a group membership for some concert or drama series, then using a large screen for a video feed of a cultural event without having to drive in to one of the cities.	2/18/2021 3:17 PM
59	do not waste the money; old buildings need not last forever	2/18/2021 2:33 PM
60	More importantly than doing this quickly is doing this correctly. Please ensure you have reached a majority of residents and please ensure that you are reaching residents from whom you do not often hear. With many projects needing to potentially move forward this year, please do not be in a rush to get it on the town warrant this year. Next year or the year after is OK if it's the right purpose.	2/18/2021 2:31 PM
61	I am very concerned about the cost of the project and the lack of clarity as to how the building will be used. I do not support spending \$3.5 million for unspecified "function space" and an office for the historical commission who doesn't really seem to need/use an office. I think that the town should have a lower cost option that would preserve the building for basic meeting space use but not include an elevator and extensive bathrooms. I do not think we need space for 200. So I think we need EITHER a budget version of the plan that is in keeping with Stow's character and does not have all the bells and whistles, or a specific user/use that will bring dollars to the project in the form of revenue or funds for the renovation.	2/18/2021 2:28 PM