Plan going forth to build new bathhouse in Belmont

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BELMONT—Town selectmen were informed of the progress being made to construct a bath house at Sargent Park on Monday night.

The bath house will be constructed by a work detail at the State Correctional Facility in Concord. Work crew inmates are regularly engaged in building structures used across the state.

Belmont Building Inspection and Code Enforcement Officer Steve Paquin said last month that a State Correctional Facility administrator has offered to build the bath house for the cost of material plus 20 percent.

Paquin said on Tuesday that the cost for the bath house to the town will be in the range of $7,000.

The bath house is expected to be completed and then transported to Sargent Park by the end of the summer. The structure will be placed near the dirt parking area of the park.

Paquin said that work on a concrete foundation and sewer line is expected to start within the next week.

The building will be approximately 14 by 30 feet, and contain men's and women's bathrooms with a sink and toilet. Showers will not be installed. The building will also contain a storage room.

Paquin said an electrician from the State Correctional Facility will be used to install electrical fixtures supplied by the state, including lighting. Paquin will hire a plumber to install the bathroom facility.

The building will have a metal roof and not be shingled.

The Sargent Park bath house will be used mostly during the summer and warm weather months, and is not expected to be used during the winter.