

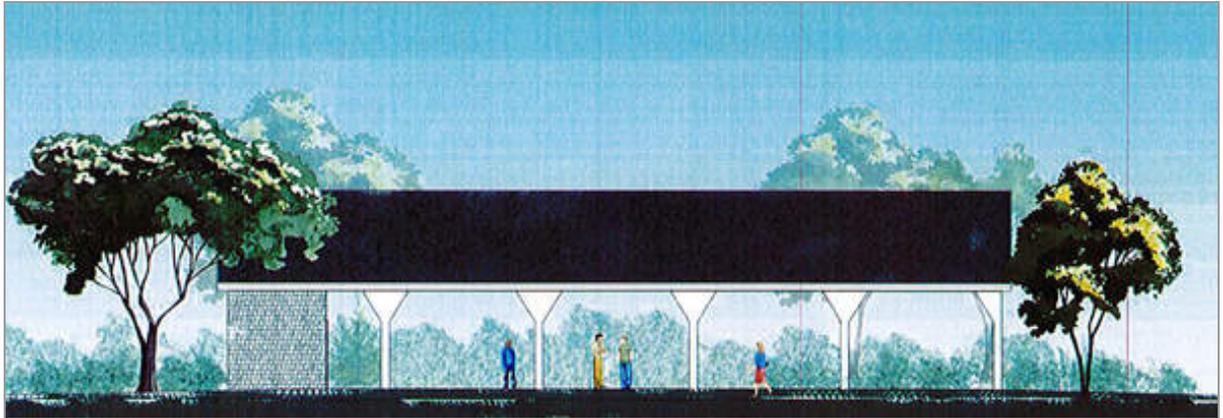


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Belmont Mill Pavilion to go before planning board

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THIS DESIGN FROM Stewart Associates Architects shows what the Belmont Mill Pavilion will look like when it's completed in October.

BELMONT — A proposal to construct an open air pavilion near the Belmont Mill is scheduled for review by the Planning Board the next time they meet on Monday, July 28.

Selectman Ronald Cormier gave an update to the Board of Selectmen about the project on Monday.

He said resident Charles Moretti, a partner at NCM Management in Gilford, put together a proposal that calls for the construction of a 26-by-80 foot open air pavilion. That would include two bathrooms and a storage room that could contain a sink and prep space.

Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin said materials will be provided through A&B Lumber and Barns.

The town expected to use a Land Water Conservation Fund Grant from the National Park Service to help build the pavilion, which is part of the town's Village Revitalization project. Land was donated in 2011 for the project by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Persons.

Cormier said some of the grant money needs to be saved for a future covered bridge over the Tioga River. He estimated that, when finished, the pavilion will run \$10,000-15,000 more than the grant provides.

Cormier asked for that overage to come from the Town Facilities Capital Reserve Fund.

He said members of the Revitalization Committee that have been meeting with Moretti are pleased with the design.

"It's a very simple kind of carriage house design all paved underneath," Cormier said.

Cormier said most of the pavilion will be made from materials that are easy to upkeep. He said there are shingles on the end cap though.

"The bandstand I think makes a great combination to do functions, events, even weddings," Cormier said. "You could do a nice ceremony at the bandstand and then have your reception at the pavilion."

Selectman Jon Pike said he isn't sure how the town will clean paint off the shingles.

"You know some idiot is going to paint these things," Pike said.

He said he doesn't want to install masonry, but it might have to be done so cleaning graffiti is easier.

Pike asked that the bathrooms have a drain in the floor so they're easier to wash and prevent flooding issues. He used the facilities at Prescott Park in Meredith as an example of what happens when floor drains aren't installed.

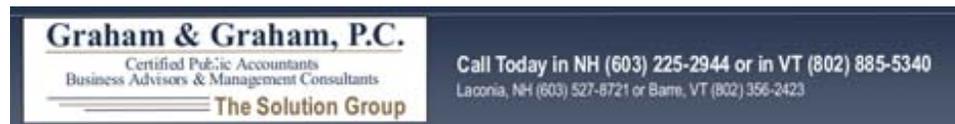
"I stepped into that facility one night, slipped on the wet floor because they painted it nice," Pike said. "Somebody managed to plug to toilet up and leave it running."

Pike asked what committee is planning for electrical work. Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin said they meet with Northeast Electrical Solutions on Friday and are waiting for the company's proposal.

"It will include the lighting that will go up underneath, tamper proof lighting, the ground fault GFI switches for along the base of the post," Beaudin said. "And they'll be on different circuits."

Cormier said construction is expected to begin in early August with a completion date in the second week of October.

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