



Memo**12/19/2016**

Steven J. Tyler, P.E.
Town of Spencer
Utilities and Facilities Office

Project: **Pleasant Street School Demolition** – 54 Pleasant Street, Spencer Ma

Mr. Tyler,

Following up on our recent memo regarding the Pleasant Street school and the feasibility of retaining the structure we offer the following.

Based on prior studies including but not limited to the 2/26/2008 report from the Town of Spencer Facilities Maintenance & Repair Committee and our own review, it is our recommendation that the preferred alternative for the Town of Spencer be to demolish the Pleasant Street School building completely to prevent further deterioration and unauthorized access to the building which is unsafe.

While this office prefers re-use and renewal from a preservationist point of view and understand that there are some architectural elements concerning this building that were fine examples of school building and design of the era, we cannot envision a practical way to preserve this building. Due to overall condition and anticipated high costs of any complete or partial restoration or salvage option it is not economically justifiable to salvage any portion of the existing structure.

Feel free to contact this office for any reason.

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