## Rehoboth's Municipal Buildings — What do we have now?



*Town Hall*, a military building from 70 years ago, was set up for a much smaller town. It is not technology wired and has fire code, ADA, OSHA, health, and safety problems, including asbestos, undrinkable water, snakes, and mold.



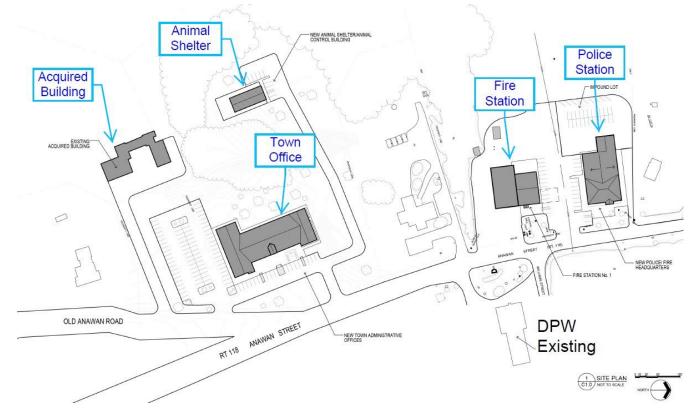
*Police* facility has very tight space with equipment, storage, and technology crammed in work/office areas. Holding cells have been ruled unusable. Code and safety violations make for difficult work conditions and poor safety.



*Fire station/headquarters* rooms and areas are overcrowded, out-of-date, unsafe, and not to code. Two bays for fire engines are insufficient (third is now used by RAC and REMA). Overnight crews sleep in recliners. Roof leaks are frequent. Truck bays are over-filled with equipment storage, violating OSHA standards and making for extra work.



Our Animal Shelter, also a military building from 70 years ago, has air quality issues, contaminated water, inefficient heating, hygiene problems, too little space for cats (the main "clients"), and non-code quarantine areas.



## Rehoboth's Municipal Buildings — What could we have instead?

A modern, efficient facilities complex will be built on highway 118 opposite the Public Works location. The design is based on today's needs and will serve future generations. Existing fire/police station remodeled to be the fire building; new police, town office, and animal shelter buildings. REMA will use the acquired building. There are well-planned grounds and ample parking. The town will vote on a finished full plan with a known cost.



How do we get there?

An initial investment of \$1.1M will provide town voters with full architectural/engineering plans and a known, real construction cost. We will present this initial phase at the Spring 2020 town meeting, and if approved it goes to a vote. A year after, if phase one is approved, the voters will consider costs and timing to fund the actual construction project.

The Municipal Building Study Committee is presenting public sessions for input and working with a professional architect and project management firm. See https://www.town.rehoboth.ma.us/municipal-building-study-committee for a record of our work. We report to the public in multiple information sessions.