

Community Facility Survey

The Town of Elk Mountain is in need of an indoor gathering space big enough to accommodate large funerals, community events and activities. Recently, the IOOF (Odd Fellows Hall, next to library) received a structural inspection from a professional structural engineer. The inspection revealed numerous structural concerns. The engineer's opinion was that the building was not worth renovating.

The Town of Elk Mountain Shop Building (Old Fire Hall) is in good structural condition. Grant funding is available through the Wyoming Business Council Community Facilities Program to remodel and add on to this building, creating an indoor gathering space for our community. Please fill out the survey below to help the Town determine potential uses for a community facility. The extent to which the project can benefit our youth bears significantly on the amount of funding the Town will be eligible to receive.

The Wyoming Business Council confirmed the Town Hall office may be included in this new building as long as it did not take up the majority of the space or serve as the only function of the building. Having the Town Hall in a new community facility would enable the Clerk to oversee the building, saving the Town money in hiring additional help. Additionally, the Town would only need to operate and maintain one building instead of two. Creating an energy efficient, multi-use building will help make operation and maintenance costs manageable.

Our existing Senior Center is operating on borrowed time, with many structural and State Fire Marshal concerns. Relocating into a new community facility would enable the center to have a dedicated commercial kitchen complete with a fire hood and locked pantry. The center would have a dedicated space within the new facility.

If you've ever been in our public library during craft time, you've probably noticed space is at a premium. A dedicated room for arts and crafts would be very useful. To help satisfy the youth component of the grant, relocating the library into the community facility is an option. Additionally, a basketball court, whole or half, would offer recreational opportunities to local children and help satisfy grant criteria. The court would be equipped with retractable hoops and duly serve as the large indoor gathering space.

The governing body would appreciate your feedback:

The Town needs a modest gathering space for indoor funerals and other indoor activities?	Y	N
The Town needs an indoor space for our youth to meet and recreate?	Y	N
Would you be in support of relocating the Town Hall office into a new community facility?	Y	N
Would you be in support of relocating the Senior Center into a new community facility?	Y	N
Would you be in support of a basketball court in the community facility?	Y	N
Would you be in support of relocating our library into the community facility?	Y	N

Please write down any additional ways you feel an indoor gathering space would benefit our youth and greater community.

Any additional thoughts? (Please use back of paper if more space is needed)

We want to hear from you. Please remember, this is YOUR town and any feedback will be appreciated. The various services and organizations identified above, with the exception of the Wyoming Business Council, have not been approached about relocating. Polling the community is our first step to see what services, if any, you would like to see in a community facility.

Surely this survey has raised many questions. The Town plans to hold several public workshops and hearings before this project would ever come to fruition. This survey is randomly numbered for quality control. Please send your feedback on the survey, or other means, to P.O. Box 17, OR place in the drop box on the Town Hall door, OR send via e-mail to townofelkmountain@union-tel.com along with any other questions, concerns, or comments.

The Town of Elk Mountain governing body thanks you.