

Janice Ireland

From: Karen Stewart <stewartkl@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 10:30 PM
To: Janice Ireland
Subject: Rye Town Center Committee: please share with BOS

Hi Janice,

The Rye Town Center Committee met this evening. When the topic of touring the TD Bank building was discussed, Tom King, our new select board representative, shared that demolition has begun on the building. When asked about the work, Tom shared that there will be exterior work done that is visible from the street. He said that the HDC was notified today of this work. Though he is in possession of some schematics, Tom was not aware of blueprints for the work that is planned, despite the speed with which it appears that work is moving forward. This was a point of concern for our members.

Noting that the purview of this committee includes

- planning for town buildings,
- planning for providing ADA compliant work spaces for town employees,
- planning for adequate meeting and community activity spaces, and
- considering the economic impact on the Rye tax payers,

the committee unanimously voted to submit the following recommendation to the Select Board. (Tom King abstained from the vote.)

Will you please share this with the Select Board members at your earliest convenience?

Thank you, Janice.

Karen

To: Rye Select Board members

The Rye Town Center Committee recommends that the Select Board stop all demolition on the TD Bank building until such time that they have a complete set of architectural plans to work from which is normal construction procedure. We further recommend that the BOS follow all town procedures and guidance of the Historic District Commission.

**Respectfully submitted,
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