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TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM
Town Hall, 32 Main Street
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June 19, 2016

Town Administrator, Doug Briggs
Ashburnham Select Board
Highway Superintendent, Steve Nims
Ashburnham, MA 01430

RE: DPW Inspection

On June 15, 2016, acting under the authority of Massachusetts General Law 143, Section 3A and Chapter 1 of the Massachusetts State Building Code 780 C.M.R., Section 110, and I Richard C. Reynolds Building Commissioner for the town of Ashburnham have inspected the buildings known as Highway Dept. Garages.

The Inspection revealed the following violations: (Limited to Buildings listed within only) Also included an Engineers report (Michael Mitchell) Weston & Sampson, 2011

General Conditions:

Every roof in this group of buildings has leaked and damaged ceilings and walls which for the most part has NOT been addressed. Heaters in all buildings are leaking and C.O. has been reported at high levels and Must be Addressed. The exhaust vent for the heater in the secretaries area is smashed against the rear wall of the building. The Block walls have moved over time and cracks can be seen (stepping) .Many doors are in poor condition and leaking.

Secretary's area (office)

Tile flooring is broken and lifting (Asbestos? Check)-----Hole in bathroom wall to repair Pipes left open. Ceiling has fallen in file room (roof leak) and never insulated and repaired.

Truck bays in block building

Section of ceiling has collapsed (Asbestos?) from roof leaks--- Over doors stepped block And no signs of lentil or reinforcement.--- Door rotted---Gas heater leaks. Main support rusted, rotting and approaching failure.

Metal Building

This building is supported by steel uprights and cable cross ties. All support starts at the base of these supports. From salt and road chemicals the base of this building rotted and At risk of failure both vertically and horizontally during winter weather, and will continue to compress.----The roof leaks---Make shift second floor addition is unsound and the bathroom or the plumbing , does not comply with the plumbing code.---The stairs to this addition are unsound. The floor for this was set on two steel beams and connected by a welded rod which is also rusted and scaling.---The second egress is blocked by a trailer box trapping within in case of fire .Next to the second egress the threshold is missing and a hole one to two feet is present. The break room is open to the truck bays and no proper venting exists, and the heater in this building is cracked and leaking. (CO) The truck doors are bent in and not weather tight.

These Buildings Must be Repaired or Replaced to assure the safety of workers or any person within. Further structural Failures or compliance not in a timely manner will cause these buildings labeled unsafe for human habitation and closed

If I can assist further in any way feel free to contact my office



Richard Reynolds
Building Commissioner
Zoning Enforcement Officer

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