

Design Consultant for Campus Master Planning Project Approved

Lerner, Ladd and Bartels Architects of Rhode Island Wins Contract

The Campus Master Planning Committee (CMPC), which was convened jointly by the Town's Board of Selectman and School Committee, selected a consulting firm this past week in support of its work on the Ballfield Road campus.

At the CMPC's July 16th meeting, the Committee interviewed three finalists, and following open committee discussion, the CMPC selected LLB to be reviewed and approved by both the School Committee and Town Selectmen. Both the School Committee and the Lincoln Town Selectmen approved the selection of LLB on Friday, July 17th and Monday, July 20th, respectively.

"Lerner, Ladd and Bartels brings a wealth of experience and a talented team of experts to the Campus Master Planning project," noted Town Administrator Tim Higgins. "This is one of the most important projects facing Lincoln right now. We recognize that the plan will need to accommodate both the current and future education and recreational needs of our town's resident population. I'm confident that LLB will be able to successfully assist the Campus Master Planning Committee in their charge to study the basic infrastructure and physical layout of the Ballfield Road campus and inform the planning for the contemplated school building and community center projects."

School Committee Chair Jennifer Glass added that, "LLB's technical experience, team-based approach, community focus and ability to see the 'big picture' make them a solid choice. The project team, led by Project Executive Greg Smolley, have completed more than three dozen publicly bid projects in the Commonwealth in the last five years."

LLB Architects, formerly Lerner Ladds Bartels, is an architectural practice based in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and employs 29 architects, planners, and interior design professionals. Founded in 1936, the firm is well known for their commitment to responsive design, an integrated project process, and a New England practicality. Their history in project advocacy and public outreach is at the heart of their approach to planning and design in the public realm.

"Lincoln is a community that values its historical buildings and spaces and engaging the public in setting direction for the future," notes LLB Architects Project Executive Greg Smolley. "All of us at LLB Architects treasure the history of New England and have built the firm on a wide range of civic and public projects. We're thrilled to have the opportunity to work with everyone in Lincoln and are looking forward to getting started."

Over the next month, LLB will be working to better understand the Ballfield Road campus, including wetlands restrictions, zoning and traffic patterns. Following this

initial due diligence period, the firm will work with the CMPC to develop initial reports and to conduct public workshops to share initial findings and conceptual options.

For more information, residents are encouraged to attend any of the committee meetings, which are posted on the CMPC web page, located <http://www.lincolntown.org/index.aspx?NID=682>.