

POLICY FOR USE OF THE ROBERT E CLIFFORD MEMORIAL BUILDING

The Town of Haverhill, as owner of the Robert E Clifford Memorial Building, through its Board of Selectmen, hereby adopts this policy governing the uses of the Building and Grounds. The Selectboard reserves the right to authorize use of the Building and Grounds for any Town sponsored activity which may take preference over other approved uses.

The property was obtained from the State of New Hampshire in late 2009 for a cost of \$1.00. There are no restrictions on its use by the Town. The Selectboard commissioned a study of the possible uses of the Building and site through a volunteer citizens committee which researched appropriate uses and submitted a report to the Board of Selectmen on January 12, 2010. Consistent with the recommendations of that report the Building may be leased to private, non-profit, and public organizations for the following uses:

Short Term Uses

1. Weddings
2. Social events including dances, dinner dances and/or parties.
3. Cultural and historical exhibits, lectures or presentations.
4. Certain fund raising events for non-profit or public agencies.
5. Recreational use
6. Home Shows
7. Meetings
8. Bazaars or Craft Shows
9. Training (for Law Enforcement and others)

Long Term Leases

1. Storage space rental
2. Rental of Kitchen
3. Office space
4. Exhibit space/museums
5. Commercial use and/or business incubators

General Requirements for the use of space:

1. The Town will require proof of insurance which will indemnify the Town from any risk beyond normal owner's responsibility.
2. Requests for use shall be made on the application form and all requests will be acted on by the Selectboard or their designee.
3. Set-up and cleaning services, before and after events, are not the responsibility of the Town. The space is to be left swept clean and spills are to be mopped.
4. Trash removal is not the responsibility of the Town. All trash must be removed from the property.
5. Furniture (tables and chairs), trash cans and/or bags and kitchen supplies and/or utensils are not provided by the Town.
6. It shall be the responsibility of Lessee to report any damage to the building and/or contents within 24 hours of use.
7. Security deposits may be required for certain uses at the discretion of the Town.
8. Rental and leasing fees shall be made a part of the application form and shall be changed from time to time at the discretion of the Selectboard.
9. Some of these General Requirements may be waived or changed for a long-term lease of space. Each such lease will have its own terms and conditions.
10. Alcohol is permitted for certain functions on a BYOB basis only.
11. All building users shall abide by any posted rules for use of the Building as a condition of the lease of space.
12. The Selectboard or designee reserves the right to decline a proposed use if such a use unreasonably precludes the Building's general availability to the Community.

Adopted: March 15, 2010 (name on Policy amended 7/18/2012)

HAVERHILL SELECTBOARD

Roderick M. Ladd, Chair

Attest: Bette Pollock, Town Clerk