

LINCOLN HALL - ACCESSIBILITY AND MODERNIZATION

Boxford, MA



Lincoln Hall is an active Community Center located in the historic center of West Boxford, Mass. Originally constructed as a VFW Hall; it has been a community meeting hall since it was purchased by the town in 1913. Lincoln Hall serves as a meeting hall for the Grange (an organization for farmers) and other local organizations including the Veterans, Boy Scouts, BTA/ BOLT meetings, school plays, receptions, dances and other social, educational and cultural gatherings.

However, the Town was very limited in the public use of the building as it was only accessible at the basement level, and had no other accessible features.



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The project included repairs to the exterior, new wood windows, entry doors, and siding consistent with the historical structure.



New Accessible Parking Spot and Walk

Interior renovations included new HVAC and electrical systems, a general upgrade of interior finishes, new accessibility lift between the basement, first floor and performance stage and general accessibility improvements. Due to the unique configuration of the building and site, the project was designed with special provisions for accessibility requirements, a variance from the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board. Gienapp Design prepared and submitted the application for variance. A new septic system was also designed for future installation.

The project was designed and bid in accordance with Chapter 149 Massachusetts Public Laws.