

FOWPL Meeting

Monday December 6, 2009

Present: Victor, Roxie, Terry, Debby, Jack, and Brigit. Mat via telephone.

Minutes from November 30 Moved by Debby, second Terry - accepted unanimously.

Victor, Jack and Mathew Eddy (Eaton Peabody) reported on meeting with the selectmen last week. They noted that Dennis picked up on the notion of how a good library would add to the value of Waterboro and attract new business. Dennis suggested putting off the referendum until November. This will also give us more time to raise \$\$ and we will know more clearly what kind of private money we can raise. This in turn will clarify how much we need to ask for from the town. The library referendum may have a better chance in November. This time frame separates the library from the budget dynamics of the June Town Meeting and since it is Governor's election, likely will have more voters.

Terry asked how a November vote would fit with the LD 1 override. Mathew indicated that the referendum could be written to that that into consideration.

Terry moved to put the bond referendum question to vote in November 2010.
Second Debby. Unanimous

Debby got positive feedback on the thank you notes that we wrote last week.

Foundations:

Mat – suggest we focus for the next few months on foundations.

Debby will be the point person for approaching foundations. Each member of the group will select foundations to research and learn how to make contact. By telephone or email find out exactly what they need in order for us to make an application.

Sprague family foundation – Mat will talk to Patsy about Sprague and Libra Foundation – ask Patsy to push the economic and community development aspect of our project.

Victor will contact Fisher Charitable Foundation and Elliotsville Township Inc.

Earmarks

– if we apply for a federal grant we can talk to Chellie Pingree – e.g. National Endowment for the Arts. Mat will help us with this. We are trying to schedule a meeting with someone from her staff. Mat will connect with Pingree's office – next meeting will be Jan 4. He'll aim at the 11th to see if a rep from her office can come.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Next meeting January 4, 2010, 7 pm Heritage Company.