

Meredith Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
July 26, 2016

Meeting called to order: 10:01 AM

Trustees Present: Beverly Heyduk (Chair), Paul Eldridge, Ann Butler, Miller Lovett, Jane Ramsay

Others Present: Paula Wanzer, Rosemary Kiernan-Landry, Ron Lamarre (consultant/architect), Matthew Gunby (head of circulation), Erin Apostolos (library director)

Barnard Ridge site discussion.

Beverly Heyduk spoke with Mark Billings, who was unable to attend today's meeting. Beverly asked him a number of questions, most of which he could not answer at this time.

- How much will 4.5 acres cost?
 - The parcel would have to be appraised, but would be priced separately from the complete land purchase agreement negotiated between the Conservation Committee and the owner.
- Cost for sewage and water connection?
- Space for parking? Where would this be located?
- Still very much in the theoretical with regards to how land is going to be used/configured.
- Shared space or space specifically for the library?

Is it possible to purchase land directly from current land owner?

Still a viable site? Very difficult to meet with the library's timeline.

Consider motion at next meeting for single current viable site.

CIP: next meeting is in November.

Creating expendable trust: required amount of knowledge to present at town meeting 2017.

Mark Billings meeting at the Select Board.

Page Pond Project: Private capital campaign, grants. Grant funds would not be available until July 2017. Library would theoretically support forest visitors as well as library patrons with restrooms and outdoor spaces.

Wait for Barnard Ridge Road to become viable or go to town meeting 2017 for an expendable trust and start fundraising in 2017?

Creating a vision of what the library is doing sooner rather than later.

Capital improvement would not necessarily need a drawing or site for expendable trust.

First mailer has yet to be sent. Mailer currently in limbo at Staples. Looking at Tyler Graphics as a possible replacement for Staples.

Costs for getting water to the Robertson's property could be significant.

Are conceptual drawings required for town meeting 2017?

Select Board will consider signing for LCHIP grant. Needs to be voted on September 1st at their next meeting.

Miller's paper on timeline. Questions of where in the process the Board of Trustees are and how quickly they are moving. What needs to be done to fully involve the community? Eight community outreach meetings have taken place to only one with the Page Pond Project. A potentially large portion of the town's population has still not been reached. Miller believes not enough of the community has been reached regarding the library project. Mailer will be sent to every household in town and hopefully this will spark a broader, robust community conversation.

Second mailer set to be sent out August 12th. Showing both viable and non-viable sites.

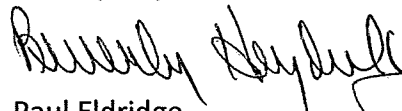
FAQ needs to be further reviewed. Tabled until August 9th. QR code and URL will be on flier.

Motion to adjourn made by Paul Eldridge at 11:15 AM, seconded by Jane Ramsay. Motion carries. Next meeting Tuesday August 9th at 6:00 PM.

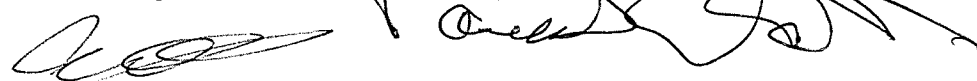
Respectfully submitted by,

Matthew Gunby

Beverly Heyduk



Paul Eldridge



Ann Butler

Miller Loyett



Jane Ramsay

