Town Council Special Meeting Minutes October 18, 2010 Falmouth Memorial Library

Councilors Chase, Breen, Pierce, Payne, Varney and Rodden were present and answering roll call.

Councilor Armitage arrived late.

Chair Payne reminded everyone that the discussion tonight would focus solely on the space needs of the Library. Location and the possibilities for a community center would not be discussed.

Chantal Walker, President of the Library Board of Trustees, gave a brief overview on the history of the library's renovations, the current usage level of the library and the Lucker report published in 2001.

Nolan Lushington, library consultant, explained how his approach differed from Mr. Lucker's and the change in libraries since that time. He answered questions from the Council and the Library Trustees.

Chair Payne opened a public Q&A session. Mr. Lushington answered many questions from the public.

Chair Payne polled the Council; the Council was in agreement that the Library needs more space.

The Council discussed next steps for the process. Councilor Pierce and Town Manager Nathan Poore will draft a resolution for the Council to vote on at the October 25 Council meeting, that reflects the Council's position on the Library's space needs. The public will have the opportunity to speak at that meeting. Chair Payne felt that it would be helpful for representatives of the Library Trustees to attend that meeting as well.

Mr. Poore announced that a discussion on the space needs for the Community Development Department will take place at the November 8 Council meeting.

Adjourn

Councilor Armitage moved to adjourn; Councilor Rodden seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Tryon Recording Secretary