

**Wayland Public Library  
Board of Library Trustees  
Minutes of Meeting November 9, 2012  
Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library**

Present: Library Director Ann Knight; Trustees Aida Gennis (chair, presiding), Sally Cartwright, Anne Heller, Nan Jahnke. Absent: Lynne Lipcon, Thaddeus Thompson

**Call to Order:** 3:30 p.m.

**Public Comment and Visitors**

There was no public comment and we had no visitors.

**Rotunda Furnishings**

The trustees briefly reviewed some sofas and chairs manufactured by Burton James that might be suitable for the Rotunda Reading Room. Our volunteer design consultant, Liz von Goeler, is seeking quotes for these options using fabrics previously chosen by the trustees.

**Capital Request for a Library/COA Building Project at Town Center**

As background for our discussion of whether to make a capital request to the Finance Committee, Mrs. Gennis made a brief presentation of the work the trustees have undertaken over the last 10 years to determine the best home for the Library, ending with the trustees' recent joint exploration, with the Council on Aging, of a proposal to build a shared Library and Senior Center at Town Center. She noted the need and desire for more space, more public programming, more departmental collaboration, and more community interaction, as well as ongoing site problems at our current location, at 5 Concord Road, including flooding, parking and traffic problems, and site limitations on expansion. She also reviewed the Library's mission statement.

Concerning the capital request to the Finance Committee, Mrs. Gennis summarized the two options under consideration: whether to ask for a limited "design revision" to the current schematics, to address environmental and conservation issues, or to ask for \$850,000 for a "full design," which would include elevations and floor plans, three cost estimates, and construction documents for bid. Mrs. Gennis reported that the Council on Aging has indicated it would go forward with a capital request for a full design of a shared Library and Senior Center at Town Center, provided an independent cost estimate of the project could be done first.

After a long discussion, Mrs. Heller moved that the Board of Library Trustees go forward with a capital request of \$850,000 for the design of a shared Library/Senior Center at Town Center, the work to be set forth and conducted in stages allowing for interim review and reconsideration. Mrs. Cartwright seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 4-0.

Mrs. Heller then moved that the Library contribute half of the cost of an independent project cost estimate, up to \$2,500, should the Council on Aging deem such an estimate important to moving the project forward. Mrs. Cartwright seconded the motion, which also passed unanimously, 4-0.

**Next Meeting**

Trustees noticed that the board's regular November meeting had been posted with an incorrect date. Mrs. Knight will look for another date and location, but if there is nothing suitable, the board will meet on November 21, 2012, at 8:30, in the Raytheon Room of the Wayland Public Library, as posted.

**The Meeting Adjourned** at 5:25 p.m.

### **Documents for This Meeting**

1. Agenda of Meeting 11/09/12
2. Pictures of furnishings from Burton James: Chair 345, Chair and ottoman 380, Chair and Ottoman 383, Chair 760, Sofa GFR6
3. Sketch of possible Rotunda furnishings placement titled “Burton James GFR6 Malibu at Center,” undated, provided by Ms. von Goeler
4. Library Mission Statement

### **Next Meetings**

- November 21, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library—*subject to change*
- December 19, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library
- January 16, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library
- February 20, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library
- March 20, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library
- April 17, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library
- May 15, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library

Respectfully submitted by Nan Jahnke, Trustee, Board Secretary