

**Lower Level Renovation Joint Fundraising Meeting
Library Trustees, Lower Level Renovation Committee, and Friends of the BFL
March 4, 2014**

Present: Mark Leven (Trustee), Tom Ives (Trustee, LLRC), Rita Morrison (President, Friends of the BFL), Christine Carey (Friend of the BFL, LLRC), Paul Rizzi (LLRC), Jeff Kipperman (LLRC), Paris Awalt (Trustee, LLRC), Lori Fisher (library director), Eric Anderson (LLRC), Ann Hoey (Trustee), Peter Bloomfield (LLRC)

Meeting called to order: 6:05 pm by Tom Ives.

Review of Minutes: The January 13, 2014 minutes from the LLRJF meeting were reviewed. Tom Ives moved to accept them, Rita Morrison seconded, and the minutes were approved.

BFL Foundation:

501(c)3 status - Mark Leven noted that the nonprofit status continues to be pending at the IRS.

Fiscal sponsorship - Rita Morrison reminded the group that the Friends will need help with filing annual papers with the state as the Foundation has brought in a lot of money into the Friends account that needs to be reported.

Parking Committee Update: Tom Ives told the group the contract between the library and the neighbors is being finalized for several parking spaces; the group hopes to get the contract signed before town meeting.

Budget committee hearing: Lori Fisher reported that there were no questions or concerns raised regarding the warrant articles for library at the budget committee hearing.

Revised cost from H.L. Turner (architect): Tom Ives reported that the revised quote from the architect was high, with the "fudge factor" playing a big part. The trustees are trying to bring that estimate down by looking for ways to cut back, and by pushing for an actual number/bid from Cobb Hill. The fundraising goal remains \$600,000 at this point.

Town meeting: There is a discussion about who should present the warrant articles at town meeting - Mark Leven volunteered to present for the Lower Level warrant, and Tom Ives will do the contingency warrant for the furnace and roof.

100th anniversary: Lori Fisher reported that planning for the October 2014 is in progress.

Possible fund raising events: Ingrid White had brought up the idea of having fundraising events, but is not present tonight. There is a brief discussion about using social media for fundraising, but the group generally would like to push to finish up with phase 1 of fundraising before starting the next phase.

At 6:17pm the meeting went into **Non-public session**, pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(c).
At 6:55pm the **public session** reconvened.

Time line: Brief discussion about the timeline approved in 7/13 by the BFL trustees. Mark L. stated we should wait until next meeting to review/revise. Peter B. asked if we should have revised info for the town meeting and therefore should discuss tonight. Lori F. stated that the biggest question will be when do we want to start the actual project, and right now we should stay with the projected start date on the current timeline of second half of 2015. Members agreed to revise timeline at next meeting.

Discussion about next meeting date: Thursday 3/27 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 7:08 p.m. – motion of Tom, second by Eric.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Carey and Lori Fisher