

MONT VERNON LIBRARY TRUSTEE Special Meeting Minutes —January 12 , 2021

Attendees: Bonnie Angulas, Trustees: Cindy Raspiller, Jane King, Lou Springer
Ben Crosby, John Quinlan, and Bill McKinney

Meeting took place on zoom.

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

Cindy did a recap of Selectmen's meeting last night to determine the actual Warrant deadline via days prior to Town Meeting since Town Meeting plan is TBD. The state statute currently is Feb. 2nd.

Bill suggested a bond issue to be phrased as a Town Roadway to Future Town Facilities—not specifying the library. Cindy agreed that is how to present it.

Cindy added that the Library Trustees paid for the RFP in order to keep the process moving and have DSK separate the cost of road from the library plan.

Bill suggested since these bids were relatively close on the RFP to go to Town Meeting with a bond not to exceed 400K rather than accepting any bid now. Then after to go out for formal bids based upon the proposals we have and include other bidders than just these three. His concern was that they haven't seen geo-technical determining blasting and ledge work which can cost up to 20K. Bill asked how these 3 companies were chosen. Ben said some through experience and others research. Bill suggested to go forward with the Warrant Article. Cindy asked if a bond was preferable to using road grant money. John said it was assumed a couple of years ago with a different Select board, that road block grant money would be used. But he suggested that the all new board members were not necessarily new library advocates. He added that no matter the perception, it is a town project and a continuation of something started 33 years ago when the land was purchased.

Bill added that the planning board should be included for approval. Especially as it would broaden support. A formal submission should be made by the engineers. He emphasized the need for Ben and DPW to be on board, as they will be involved in construction and maintenance. Jane explained that the plots were divided according to how much each participant paid and it was recorded as required by the state. But it is one large parcel owned by the town, administered by 3 town sub committees. Therefore the applicant to the planning board would actually be the town of Mont Vernon for the road development for nonresidential development for the lot for the library and the cemetery. John asked if Oak Engineering can represent the project and hopefully someone from the select board.

John reiterated that we need to get the plan before the planning board by the end of the month. And to plan to go for a more general call for formal bids that includes a 20% contingency for design and engineering. Application has to be in before end of the week. Cindy and John will reach out to Jack, Joan and Sean at DSK. Jack's name will need to be on the application.

The meeting concluded at 4:50 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 19, 2021

Respectfully submitted by Jill Weber—Secretary