

Jonathan Trumbull Library Board of Trustees
Special Meeting April 9, 2009

Members present: Holly Sinkewicz, Barbara Wengloski, Heather Morin, Judy Vertefeuille, Leah Tanger, Gloria Hanczar, Lydia Myers, (absent: Peg McCormick, Joyce Teed) and Director Julie Culp
Guests: Selectwoman Joyce Okonuk, Town Planner Phil Chester, Architect Jay Willerup

A special meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, April 9, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Chairperson Holly Sinkewicz.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and take action on proceeding with building/renovation grant work for future expansion/renovations of the Jonathan Trumbull Library.

After much discussion it was agreed that a long range plan was needed, whether it was a 5, 10 or 20 year plan. It was also agreed to start planning now rather than later with a study committee. It was noted that there has been a growth increase of 56% in 8 years within the Library. There are immediate needs that must be addressed: restrooms, parking, an elevator. Immediate as well as future needs have to be focused on in a plan. A Library Space Planning Guide Worksheet had been completed by Director Julie Culp indicating the need for approximately 5000 more square feet. Educating the public from the start and keeping them updated; hitting many groups throughout the community and marketing the idea is a key factor. The grant deadlines at this time are not reasonable and a long term plan cannot be rushed.

G. Hanczar moved to postpone the State Public Library Construction Grant Fund application until a long range plan can be developed; L. Myers seconded; motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Wengloski
Recording Secretary