

**ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MINUTES  
OCTOBER 5, 2014 MEETING**

The special meeting began at approximately 4:40 PM. Present: Anne Bower, Carole Brown, Betsy Rhodes, Jenny Satterfield, and Betsy Siebeck. Absent: Emily Harrington.

Reviewing the final draft of the pending Vermont Historic Preservation Grant Application was the sole agenda item of this special meeting. Anne opened the meeting by distributing copies of the grant application to be submitted on October 6. She proceeded to highlight various changes made since the previous draft was shared, including questions pertaining to the Library's history, the actual estimate to complete the project and funds raised to date. Discussion followed. Those present considered other resources and fundraising ideas, in addition to whether to pursue the project.

By consensus, it was agreed that the grant should be submitted despite the elevated estimate received earlier in the week. The Board was committed to the historic preservation of the Library roof and would raise the additional funds necessary. Only if the grant was not received, would an alternative way to cap the roof be explored. Jenny signed the grant application and Anne intended to mail it the next day.

Anne then brought the Board's attention to the fundraising ladder that she had painted and put outside the Library to illustrate the progress made to date to fund the cresting tile project. Everyone agreed that it was a great visual and thanked Anne profusely for all of the tremendous work that she had done on this project.

In closing, the Board looked at a computer slideshow of the 19 photographs that Jenny kindly put on a disk to be submitted with the grant application, including some lovely ones taken by Anne. The other members of the Board thanked Anne again for all of her hard work and the outstanding application.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:15 PM.

Next regularly scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting will take place at the Library at 7 PM on Monday, October 20, 2014.

October 5<sup>th</sup> Minutes respectfully submitted by Betsy Rhodes on October 10, 2014.