



LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE

*Town of Bethel CJH Municipal Center
1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801*

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

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Tuesday, June 9, 2009

8:00 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

TOWN OF BETHEL
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Present: Robert Tripi, Chairman, Daniel R. Gaita, Paul Tripi, William Slifkin, and Richard Straiton

Shani Burke Specht, Chairman, Library Board of Directors

Call to Order: Chairman, R. Tripi called the Special Meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

Acceptance of Minutes:

- 1. Minutes of April 21, 2009:** R. Tripi made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, which was seconded by P. Tripi. All voted in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.
- 2. Minutes of April 28, 2009:** W. Slifkin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, which was seconded by D. Gaita. Voting in favor: D. Gaita, P. Tripi, and W. Slifkin. R. Tripi and R. Straiton abstained. The motion passed 3/0 with 2 abstentions.
- 3. Minutes of May 26, 2009:** R. Tripi made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, which was seconded by W. Slifkin. Voting in favor: R. Tripi, D. Gaita, W. Slifkin, and R. Straiton. P. Tripi abstained. The motion passed 4/0 with 1 abstention.

Public Comments: None

Consideration of Library Building Project: Library Board of Directors, Chairman, S. Burke Specht handed out a copy of the Board's Treasurer's Report to the Building Committee. A discussion then ensued regarding the report. The Library Building Committee was concerned with the amount of cash, currently, on hand. There was also a discussion about when the money from the State Grant and the CCCT grant would be available. The money from the State Grant would not be available until completion of the project, which in turn, will add a cost to the project since money will have to be borrowed in order to complete the project. The money from the State Grant did not include the Seeley House but the money from the CCCT grant can only be used for the Seeley House. Therefore, from a financial stand point there are actually 2 projects. Chairman, B. Tripi requested that Library Board of Directors Chairman, S. Burke Specht change the report to show the 2 projects separately.

Review of Work Scope Documents: Chairman, R. Tripi reviewed the drawings for the Seeley House and Library. A discussion then ensued regarding the drawings, technology plans, furnishings, and any changes that need to be made. Chairman, R. Tripi then requested that

the Library Board of Directors present the Library Building Committee with a narrative of what they would like to see done. This narrative should include the layout (for both the Library and the Seeley House), furnishings (room by room), technology plans, guidelines for the Seeley House grant, a list of sponsors that have donated money for a certain room and any changes that need to be made. Once the Library Board of Directors finalizes what they want then an architect can get involved with the project.

Chairman, R. Tripi, will call a special meeting, which will be before 4:00 pm, for a tour of the library with Morganti, the original contractor, to explain what was done.

Adjourn: As there was no further business of the committee, R. Tripi made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by P. Tripi. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Bono".

Lisa Bono, Recording Secretary