

Tiverton Library Services

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Muse Way Library

13 April 2015

Trustees/Director attending:

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Ann Grealish-Rust (Director) director@tivertonlibrary.org

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Jennifer Theroux mtheroux2@cox.net

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget committee action which cut the libraries budget by approximately \$50,000. This cut may require reductions in staff with corresponding cuts in opening hours.

Possible actions are to accept the budget as proposed, possibly using Union Library to make up hours to meet state requirements or propose an alternate budget to the town which includes the funds requested by the library. Complicating this situation is a budget proposal by town resident Justin Katz. The Katz budget cuts a number of town accounts, but increases a few town budgets including the library with a \$15,000 increase over the budget

committee proposal.

The issue discussed at this meeting was to decide if the library should submit or endorse a budget proposal to add back funds needed by the library for expected operations.

To submit a separate budget a 50 signature petition is required which would not be a problem for the library. Deadline for the submission of the alternate budget and petition is Saturday 4/18/2015 at COB

A Discussion was held, discussing the various options available concerning the budget process, and the pros and cons of each.

Motion by Lee Hoyer resolving that the Trustees will take no action regarding the town budget process. Second by Maureen Morrow.

Motion carries: Hoyer, Morrow, Robinson, Theroux in favor; Jones opposed with Donnelly Abstaining.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Jones