

**Peterborough Town Library Board of Trustees
Special Meeting Minutes January 6, 2017
Peterborough Town House**

Trustees Present: Marcia Patten, Ron Bowman, Jeanie West, Karen Struthers, Debra Caplan, Laura Hanson

Others present: Rodney Bartlett, Tina Kriebel

Meeting called to order: 3:30 pm

Rodney Bartlett gave the trustees an overview of the two meetings that have been held over the last month concerning the Main Street bridge and the pedestrian bridge. The first meeting was a public meeting with the board of selectman and representatives from the bridge's engineering firm and the second meeting with representatives from the DOT to talk about possible changes to the plan that was originally approved by the DOT. Rodney indicated that the DOT meeting was very positive and it was concluded that the new plan, based on feedback from many people, would widen the bridge by approximately five feet and would have one or two sidewalks. Further studies need to be done. It was also recommended that the currently proposed pedestrian bridge become a temporary bridge while the construction is in progress. Rodney projects the additional design costs would be approximately \$30,000 and there is money in the budget to cover the cost. With these changes, it appears that it would delay the bid process from April, 2018 to September, 2018

Rodney is going to present this new proposal to the select board on January 10th for their feedback. He will also be presenting to the Heritage Commission on January 12th.

Motion: The library trustees request that the town ask the NH DOT to reopen the NEPA process to reconsider that the pedestrian bridge would be temporary. MP, RB Motion passed

Motion to adjourn at 4:05 pm MP, RB motion passed

Respectfully submitted, Laura Hanson