

**Cornish Library Exploratory Committee
Outreach Subcommittee Report
18 August 2021**

After the Town Meeting when the donation was announced, the George H. Stowell Library Trustees had promised to hold an open forum for community comments. The Trustees discussed the format and date for the Open Forum. It will be held September 27 at 6:30 pm in the Cornish General Store. Ideas for the format, which is not yet set include showing the lay out length of current and future stacks; inviting people to visit the current building prior to the meeting, and giving reports on current progress and yet-to-be-answered questions.

As reported elsewhere, other related Trustee business:

- The Trustees held a Public Hearing pursuant to RSA 202-A:4-c, Trustees' authority to Accept and Expend Gifts, to accept and expend donations in the amount of \$30,000, \$6,5000, and \$10,000. Hearing no objections, the Trustees accepted the donations and confirmed their ability to spend the donations.
- The Trustees authorized up to \$10,000 to hire architect and/or structural assessment as recommended by the exploratory committee.
- The Trustees authorized Patterson to use funds from the Library building fund to engage the town counsel.

The Friends of the Cornish Library will set up and staff an Information Table at the school during the Cornish Fair, in the vestibule of the Cornish School Library. It should have good traffic and visibility. There will be posters and handouts. They will also make material for the upcoming library forum. The Friends Committee rallied around this project. The September Friends Meeting is scheduled for Wed, Sept 15, 7pm, at the Cornish Store, and will focus on the application for the 501c3 non-profit status.

Respectfully submitted,
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George H. Stowell Trustee