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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING SATURDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2011

THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT YET BEEN APPROVED BY THE LIBRARY BOARD

PRESENT: Charmaine Glew, Joy Himmelfarb, Marianne O'Neil, Diane Madigan, Sue Bullock, Bert Kaplan, Jeff Blumenthal (via phone)

The meeting was called to order by Charmaine Glew, Chair, at 10:25.

Discussion revolved around the impact of Selectman's proposed cuts.

The amount of cuts to the library budget suggested by the Selectman and Finance Director amount to \$81,298 or a 2.4% reduction from actual FY11 Budget (\$1,376,890) or a 3.5% reduction from actual FY2010 budget (\$1,392,933).

The Library Board believes this will seriously jeopardize services to all of our residents, particularly since, with this reduction, the Library will be losing 60 staff hours per week
8% of total staff hours.

A motion was made by Marianne O'Neil who proposed a \$30,000 increase over the Selectman's suggested budget. This amount will allow the Library to accommodate Union negotiated leaves but will still require us to close the Library on Sundays and all three day weekends. Seconded Bert Kaplan.

The motion was carried unanimously by those present.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.