Library Planning Committee

Committee Created

There is hereby created a library planning committee to consist of five members. Three members will be from among the membership of the Cape Elizabeth Town Council and shall be appointed by the council. One member to be invited shall be a member of the Cape Elizabeth School Board chosen by the school board. One member shall be a trustee of the Thomas Memorial Library chosen by the trustees. The library director of the Thomas Memorial Library shall be a non-voting ex-officio member and shall serve as the staff liaison to the committee. The facilities manager shall be invited to participate in committee meetings to serve as a non-voting staff resource.

Committee Purpose

The committee shall prepare a plan for public library services and facilities to serve Cape Elizabeth for the next 25 years.

The committee shall seek public input in its deliberations and shall consider lower cost alternatives than the library proposal that was not approved in November 2012.

The committee shall review past materials and information relating to library facilities but shall take a fresh look at possible future actions.

The committee shall look at utilization of space for other library services. The committee shall meet with the town center plan committee to consider opportunities for enhancing the town center.

Committee Budget

The committee shall request funding from the town council to carry out its work program. The funds shall be appropriated from the unassigned general fund balance.

Committee Reports

The committee shall meet regularly to advance its work and shall provide a substantial progress report in October 2013. Following the progress report, the town council will consider future directions and actions.