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46 There was discussion about all the information going out to the residents regarding the  
47 project and urging them to vote on May 7th, and it was felt that the public should be well  
48 informed about the vote.

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50 Khan said there had been a discussion at the recent Selectboard meeting about what  
51 would happen if the fund-raising efforts fell short, and the Selectboard felt that there would  
52 need to be another bond vote if that was the case. Hart said if the grants and fund raising  
53 fell short, she would hope the project would move forward so we didn't forfeit the grants  
54 and money we had received so far, and we would find areas to scale back to keep it on  
55 budget until more funds could be found. Perine said he felt they were obligated to raise the  
56 \$6 million dollars and wouldn't feel good about moving the project forward, and we would  
57 need to go back to the donors. Mincher said she thought it was fairly common in large  
58 projects to go back to donors if there was a shortfall, and we haven't received the  
59 institutional gift yet. Gish said hopefully the bond vote passes overwhelmingly, and that  
60 would send a message to the ones who have already donated.

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62 Relocation Update

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64 Hart said she toured the Satori Vermont facility on Route 7 South (former Standard Register  
65 building) and they have a wonderful large storage area they are offering to the library for  
66 storage. She said the drawback is they are a cannabis processing facility, so there is a  
67 rather strong odor of cannabis which could be a problem. She said they have a draft Letter  
68 of Understanding that Satori's general counsel has reviewed, and the Selectboard will  
69 review it at their May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. She said she isn't sure it will work out, but it is nice to  
70 have another cost-free option, and the space would be ideal, and she feels the odor can be  
71 mitigated.

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73 McVeigh said he'd spoken with the Chair of the Ilsley Board of Trustees about this offer and  
74 the smell issue, and she had previous experience with theatrical clothing that had been  
75 stored in a similar situation, and she said years later there was still an odor, so he is quite  
76 concerned about the smell and how it might be okay for some, but it can be a real problem  
77 for others. Perine said paper does absorb odors and he thought we should look for another  
78 location. Doyle-Wilch said she had seen the use of a fumigator used in the past to get mold  
79 and odors from books, so that might be an option.

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81 Hart said she had also looked at space at A. Johnson Lumber in Bristol, but that space  
82 would be a real challenge to get the books up on the second floor and it would be a  
83 minimum of \$2000/month. She had also looked at the Cornwall cemetery mortuary, but  
84 she didn't feel it would work for the books, it might be an option for storing furniture.

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89 Funding Update

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91 Hart said she didn't have much to report since the bond vote is the main focus now. She  
92 said she doesn't have any grants she's applying for at the moment, and the fundraising is  
93 going well.

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95 Hart said she expects to hear back on the Vermont Department of Libraries grant in June.  
96 Gish asked if the Director of the Department was informed of the project, and Hart said she  
97 had met with the Director and Assistant Director and went over the plans with them, and  
98 they were very enthusiastic about the project and they have toured the existing library, but  
99 they weren't able to make any type of commitment on the grant funds.

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101 Hart said the quiet phase of the private fundraising will continue through the summer, with  
102 the public fundraising efforts beginning in the fall and probably completed by Thanksgiving,  
103 with the goal to wrap it up before the Friends of Ilsley Library send out their annual  
104 memberships. She said it's possible that we would go back to the lead donors at the  
105 beginning of 2025.

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107 Hart then shared the capital campaign page on the website with the Team, and she said  
108 she has prepared letters to go out the day after the bond. They also discussed different  
109 ways to share the promotional video prepared by ReArch.

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111 Moving Forward

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113 McVeigh said this would be the last meeting before the Bond vote on May 7<sup>th</sup>, so they  
114 should look at what will happen after the vote. He said fund-raising efforts will continue,  
115 but the design team will begin work on design development.

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117 Harris said the ReArch and Weimann Lamphere team met last week and had a "mini  
118 startup" meeting so they'd be ready to go assuming the bond vote passes. She said there  
119 are things that may come up initially as they start to release engineers, and they are going  
120 to have big questions to clarify early to get off on the right foot. She said once they iron out  
121 the landscaping, structural and geothermal, they'll be ready to go, so the first thing the  
122 Team needs to do is to make sure the spaces are where they need to be and that they're the  
123 right size. She thinks it looks good and their team is upbeat and positive about moving  
124 ahead.

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126 Harris said she also reviewed the contract again that we have with them, which is a  
127 standard AIA-A141, which is between the owner and design/builder, and the way the Town  
128 Attorney set it up is that should we proceed, it will just be an amendment to that contract,  
129 so they are beginning to prepare a proposal, and that will be the next point we'll need to go  
130 back to the Selectboard.

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132 Gish asked about the budget for the design, and Harris said we've paid about 90% of it so  
133 far. She said they are very good about giving a schedule of values for the project and a  
134 payment application projection, so we will have a good idea of what is coming, and when.  
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136 Hart said after the bond vote she sees the Team transitioning and we will shift to an "As  
137 needed" basis and there may be only one or two over the summer when the Team will be  
138 called together for some big picture reviews.  
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140 Doyle-Wilch said she felt the Team had met their Charge and we can say we've done a good  
141 job. She said now maybe they can break into working groups to focus on specific areas,  
142 and Hart agreed that was how she saw the process moving forward.  
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144 Harris said we should decide what location where an "In Progress" set of designs can be  
145 left so that any given time anyone can come in and see the stage they're at. She said they  
146 still need to set up meetings with the Design Advisory Committee and Design Review  
147 Board.  
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149 The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.  
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151 Respectfully submitted,  
152 Beth Dow