Library Building Committee Otis Library September 19, 2025 – 4:00 pm

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. APPROVAL OF ATTACHED SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 LETTER TO THE SELECTBOARD
- 3. ADJOURNMENT

THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME!

The Otis Library 48 North Main Road Otis, MA 01253

September 16, 2025

To the Otis Select Board:

The Library Board of Trustees and the Library Building Committee have agreed that the best and most efficient way to move forward with the new library project is for the Select Board to put the new library project site on the Select Board Agenda for the September 23, 2025, Select Board meeting.

The agenda item would call for the Select Board to vote in favor of either 536 West Center Road "100-acre park" or 7 North Main Street "Erbe" for the proposed new library site. We are also requesting that the appointed professional experts be permitted to address any questions the selectboard or town may have at this meeting before the vote is taken.

It is imperative that the vote be scheduled as soon as possible so the architects can have immediate access to the selected site to complete the design phase of the grant, which has already been awarded and is due by the end of this calendar year.

We are aware that the town will be scheduling a special town meeting, which will effectively determine the future of the project. If the voters, at this special town meeting, vote in favor of the project, the architects will have commenced work and will be better able to meet the required deadlines as set forth by the MBLC.

In the event the town votes against the project, we understand it will effectively terminate the project. Any delays in the site selection process by the Selectboard will ultimately have the same effect, irrespective of the town vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Brofman, Chair of the Library Building Committee and Board of Trustees

cc: Andrea Bono-Bunker, MBLC Library Building Consultant Heather Backman, MBLC Library Building Specialist