## Board of Library Trustees Meeting April 19, 2005

7:00 p.m.

### Medway Public Library

#### **Attendees:**

MaryAnn Cabibbo David Cole, Vice Chairman Patrick Marshall, Director William Roberts, Secretary Wendy Rowe, Chairman

#### Citizens:

Lorie Brownell

#### **Minutes**

#### Waiver Information

- 1. 10 new waivers may be granted. More may materialize, won't know until state budget is signed.
- 2. donations to town to be handed over to the library don't count as municipal appropriations (can't use sleight of hand tricks to fund ourselves with the Tuchinsky)
- 3. 41 libraries are on waivers. If you don't meet the municipal appropriations requirement, you have to ask for a waiver.
- 4. if the cut is more than 5% the town officers have to go before the BOLC
- 5. The commissioners always want to see proportionality
- 6. The materials budget and hours open can't be waivered. We CAN use trust funds and gifts for the materials number

# **Budget Scenarios**

Patrick presented his planning for 5%, 10%, 20% and 25% reductions.

Patrick noted at the outset that only 2 of the library assistants have health insurance. That the town thinks only 1 of the staff is fulltime though we really have 4 with 30 or more hours.

Patrick's goal was to preserve the staff by reducing their hours. This is possible through the 20% reduction.

10% Reduction, budget of \$329,981. Reduction of \$36,655

- 1. 2 20hr assistants to 19 hrs
- 2. 24 hr assistant to 19
- 3. Circ. Lib. from 32 to 30
- 4. Director's increase set at 2% (less than union agreement)
- 5. Reduce Materials & Supplies
- 6. Above removes 2 from health insurance

20% Reduction, budget of \$293,237, reduction of \$73,309. This gets 1 more employee off health insurance.

25% Reduction, budget of \$274,910, reduction of \$91,637. cuts 18 hours of lib. asst. Beyond this it's just cutting staff