

## **Topic of Discussion for the Special Yachats Library Commission Work Session and Meeting Friday, February 12, 2021**

We are meeting to review and potentially decide on a basic concept for the expansion of the library building. Assuming we make a decision, we will submit the concept to an architect so that she/he can produce concept drawings and blueprints.

This was done once before, in 2019, when our library reserve consisted largely of the Hall bequest of \$150,000. Later, the Petersen bequest doubled the funds that were either available or promised. Nearly simultaneously, the report issued by *Penny Hummel Consulting* made recommendations as to the size and scope of the intended expansion.

We are now revisiting this expansion plan with four important considerations to factor in:

- 1) To come as close as we can to expanding 1,380 sq. ft. as recommended in Penny Hummel's report.
- 2) To find a plan that is as cost effective as possible.
- 3) To find a plan that does not disturb the protected wetlands that abut the library to the south of the building.
- 4) To honor the sentiment repeatedly expressed by Yachadians in the library assessment survey, namely, that the charming and rustic nature of the library building be preserved as much as possible.

On the following page, I have attached a concept drawing of the original, 400 sq. ft. expansion that nearly came to fruition in 2019. In the meantime, what follows is a list (possibly not complete) of the various expansion ideas that have been proposed over the last few years:

- 1) Expand the library building to the east, adding 400 sq. Ft. (See next page.)
- 2) Expand the library building to the east, adding 800 sq. ft.
- 3) Move the entire east wall of the library eastward all the way to the fence. This would add slightly more than 1,200 sq. ft.
- 4) A plan, similar to the plan in #3 above, that would also expand the library southward to add the additional 200 sq. ft. recommended by Penny Hummel.
- 5) Demolish the existing building and rebuild a two-story library structure in its place.
- 6) Leave the current building, but expand eastward with a two-story addition.
- 7) Move to the library to the "501 Building."
- 8) Move the library to the Commons.
- 9) Move the library to the abandoned fire station on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- 10) Find another building in town that would better suit our needs.

Respectfully submitted, David Rivinus—Library Commission Chair

