

**Town of Chester Public Library Board of Trustees  
Special Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2020**

**ROLL CALL**

**Trustees:** Lynn Thomas, Judy Patterson, Bob Walp, Tom Sliva, Sandy Deak, Noelle McCrum, Vanessa Hutton (absent)

**Library Staff:** Alma Alvarez, Library Director

**Friends of the Library Liaison:** Linda Taverni, President

**Town Board Liaison:** Karen DuRose

**Others:** Rob Simon  
Issy Modert

This Special Meeting is being held to determine if a charitable donation of property in Chestertown to the Town of Chester Public Library can be accepted. If not, Issy Modert's wife is next in line to inherit. The property is currently in a trust.

Rob Simon, an attorney in Chestertown, will contact the California attorney for the trust about information concerning whether the Library is eligible to accept the property. No probate is involved as the trust is handling the transfer of the property. Other questions concern taxes, insurance (property is in a flood plain), inspection of the property. We will contact several brokers for an appraisal. Assessment per town of Chester is \$178,000.

**HOW TO START**

The first step is to complete the W-9 form. Then we need permission to view the property.

Next step is to select an attorney. Rob Simon has offered to represent the Library pro bono. He will provide details once he has had a chance to contact the California attorney and the Town of Chester Attorney, Mark Schachner.

Noelle made a motion selecting Rob as attorney for the Library. Judy seconded. Passed.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sandy seconded. Passed.

Sandy Deak, Secretary  
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