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SHERBORN LIBRARY HOSTS CONTRACTORS IN ANTICIPATION OF RENOVATION

SHERBORN, MA November 1, 2016. Recently, patrons may have noticed groups of visitors to the Sherborn Library looking for something other than the new best-seller book, a favorite periodical or assistance with a research project. On October 26th, interested general contractors and subcontractors were invited to come and look, to walk through the library building and to stroll the surrounding site, all in anticipation of the library's exciting renovation and expansion project. Tours of the library building and site were led by John Sayre-Scibona of Design Technique Inc., the owner's project manager. "At this point, construction documents have been made available to all interested bidders through a public municipal bid process," said Mary Moore, Chair of the Library Trustees. "We anticipate that subcontractor and general contractor bids will be opened later this month!"

After all bids have been reviewed, the owner's project manager – along with project designers, Beacon Architectural Associates and Adams & Smith – will review the bids at the Library Building Committee (LBC) meeting on November 28th. The LBC will recommend the contract award to the Board of Trustees, and the Town will award the library contract in December. The construction phase of the library project will then begin in late December, with the renovated and expanded library ready to re-open late December 2017 or early January 2018.

During construction, the library will relocate across Sanger Street into the 'old schoolroom' at the Sherborn Community Center. Library Trustees expect that move to take place by mid-December. Library Director Elizabeth Johnston and her staff are working to prepare for the big move. The Library will be open at the Sherborn Community Center location by the start of 2017 with regular hours. Trustees will send a town-wide mailing in early December with additional information regarding the move and Library hours at the new location.

For more information about the renovation project, to view renderings and project FAQs, and to review minutes from the LBC and Trustee meetings, please visit the Library website at library.sherbornma.org. Project updates can also be found on at www.sherbornma.org.