

**MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING  
JEUDEVINE LIBRARY VCDP ACCESSIBILITY MODIFICATION GRANT  
5:45 P.M. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024  
HARDWICK MEMORIAL BUILDING  
3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR MEETING ROOM AND VIA ZOOM**

**Select Board**

Eric Remick, Chair  
Ceilidh Galloway-Kane - *absent*  
Shari Cornish  
Tim Ricciardello  
Danny Hale

**Others Present**

David Upson, Town Manager  
Casey Rowell, Business Manager  
Daphne Kalmar (Zoom)  
Jodi Lew-Smith

**Others Present**

**Public Hearing**

**5:45 P.M.** Eric Remick, Select Board Chair, called the Public Hearing to order.

**5:45 P.M.** Item #1 Select Board Chair to give reason for the hearing

Eric said that the Town received a \$100,000 accessibility modification grant from the Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP) to help with the cost of installing an elevator to make the Jeudevine Memorial Library handicapped accessible. A final public hearing is required to give the community an opportunity to learn about the project and ask questions about the impact of the grant.

**5:46 P.M.** Item #2 Representatives from Jeudevine Library to furnish information concerning the range of community development activities that have been undertaken under this program

Jodi Lew-Smith explained that the funds were expended for the elevator in two payments of \$71,500 and \$28,500. The first amount paid for a large portion of the elevator purchase and the remainder went towards the installation. The elevator will provide critical access to the library. There are actually 3 levels of the library. It will give access to the old portion and the new portion of the library. The layout of the elevator and entrances will help anyone with mobility issues.

Some people are unable to use the current library, so it is going to open up opportunities for everyone to be able to utilize the library.

*Tim joined the hearing at 5:50 p.m.*

There were no audience members to ask questions.

**5:51 P.M.** With no further comments from anyone, Select Board Chair, Eric Remick, adjourned the Public Hearing.

Minutes taken by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Casey Rowell, Business Manager

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Remick, Select Board Chair