

**JOINT MEETING  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES  
JUNE 15, 2016  
ROOM 204  
ACTON TOWN HALL**

Acton Board of Selectmen Present: Peter J. Berry, Janet K. Adachi, Franny Osman, Katie Green

Absent: Chingsung Chang

Memorial Library Trustees present: Suzanne Shanahan, Joseph Glennon, Pamela Lynn, Ann Chang, Thomas Dunn, Miriam Lezak, Sampada Salunkhe.

Absent: Carol Knowles

Peter Berry called the meeting to order @ 6:05 PM.

The purpose of the meeting is to fill a vacancy on the Library trustees in accordance with MGL Chapter 41, Section 11:

Section 11. **If there is a vacancy in a board consisting of two or more members**, except a board whose members have been elected by proportional representation under chapter fifty-four A, **the remaining members shall give written notice thereof, within one month of said vacancy, to the selectmen, who, with the remaining member or members of such board, shall, after one week's notice, fill such vacancy by roll call vote.** The selectmen shall fill such vacancy if such board fails to give said notice within the time herein specified. **A majority of the votes of the officers entitled to vote shall be necessary to such election. The person so appointed or elected shall be a registered voter of the town and shall perform the duties of the office until the next annual meeting.**

Thomas Lemire of 5 Brabrook Road and Yong Liu of 12 Joseph Reed Lane were interviewed for the position.

Mr. Lemire cited his 33 years as a Town resident as well as his experience as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals as well as a member of the East Acton Village Master Plan Committee. He has also been active in scouting and a frequent user of the Library

Mr. Liu is a 12 year resident of the Town and has been active in the Chinese language school. He and his family are frequent users of the Library. He would like to see some coordination and promotion between the Library and the schools.

After the interviews, the joint boards discussed the candidates and felt both were very qualified and would be good additions to the Trustees. The discussion revolved around whether it was better to have someone with experience being on a board versus one who has a lot of enthusiasm and passion but little board experience.

Mr. Berry called for a roll call vote on the appointment.

Those in favor of Mr. Liu: Mr. Dunn, Mrs. Chang, Ms. Lynn, Ms. Salunkhe, Mr. Berry; Ms. Adachi, Ms. Shanahan, Mr. Glennon, Ms. Osman

Those in favor of Mr. Lemire: Ms. Lezak and Ms. Green

Yong Liu appointed to fill the memorial library trustee vacancy until the 2017 Town Election.

Ms. Green moved, seconded by Ms. Osman to adjourn. Yeas all.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

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Steven L. Ledoux, Town Manager