

I hereby certify that at the Annual Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Abington held on April 2, 2012, a meeting duly called and conducted under Chapter 152 of the General Bylaws of the Town of Abington, a quorum being present, it was voted:

Article 15: Articles 15A – 15N propose amendments to the Town Charter and Bylaws, as specified. The Moderator announces that we will be voting on each section separately.

**Article 15E: Authority of Board of Library Trustees**

Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation to amend Section 3-8 of the Town Charter to explicitly recognize the authority of the Board of Library Trustees as set forth in the General Laws by inserting the bold, underlined as follows; provided however that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition:

There shall be a board of library trustees which shall consist of (9) nine members elected for terms of three years each, so arranged that the term of office as nearly an equal number of members as is possible shall expire each year. The board of library trustees shall have general charge of the care and management of the town library, and of all property of the town relating thereto, in consultation with the Town Manager. The board of library trustees shall have all of the powers and duties which are given to library trustees under **G.L. c.78 and any other relevant provision of** the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and shall have such additional powers and duties as may be authorized by the charter, by by-law or by other vote of the town meeting.

**A unanimous vote**

A true record,

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Linda C. Adams

Town Clerk

Voted: April 2, 2012

Approved: August 28, 2012

Posted: August 28, 2012