



October 27, 2022
Bowdoinham Public Library
13A School Street
Bowdoinham, Maine, 04008

To the Planning Board,

I am writing on behalf of the library and its Board in support of the application of the Town of Bowdoinham for site work around the Coombs Municipal Building.

As you know, we have been concerned about the accessibility of our library space for many years. Our attempt to build an additional entrance to the library was driven in large part, to the difficulty many patrons have in accessing the library via the current wheelchair ramp.

Patrons have difficulty negotiating the driveway up, don't know where to park once they get to the ramp, and then have difficult backing down the one lane drive. It currently can only accommodate two cars, parked next to each other.

Anyone who has attended a Library Plant Sale has seen the chaos of our current parking lot. It is inadequate for the number of people who attend many Town Hall events.

Please know that the site work that has been proposed will go far to improve our accessibility, while we wait for a potential improvement to the Coombs library entrances.

Sincerely, and with deep respect for the job that you do on behalf of our town,

Kate Cutko
Library Director