The municipal Starksboro Public Library has been housed in the former Town Hall building, built in 1911, for twenty years.  Visitors love our airy space with wonderful natural light (when there is sun).  The Trustees are certainly grateful to have this space rent-free.  However, there are many ways this town asset and village landmark could be improved.  The load-bearing capacity of the first floor needs to be increased in order to have any full-height book shelves away from the external walls.  The second floor, a fabulous, column-free, beadboard paneled space, is neither accessible nor fire-safe. The additional of a LULA lift and a new second exit staircase would make this space available again for the plays, dances, meetings, exercise classes that once happened up there.  In our dreams, we even see an opportunity for a local co-working facility.

In addition, the only ramp, walkway and entry to the building are only marginally accessible to a person using a wheelchair or walker.  And the front door does not have a crash-bar appliance or reliable locking system.

I have photos!

Thank you for listening!

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