

# From the Director's Desk

Every time I drive by the construction site the building seems to be a different color. The bright yellow sheathing was prominent for a while.

That has been replaced by the black weatherproofing that will make the building safe from water and weather. The blue protective tarps on the roof will soon be replaced by the last layer, the shingles. The bricks cannot be too far away. That will be a big milestone in the project.

I keep thinking about what it will be like to work on the building in the coldest winter months. There will be propane heaters to make things a little more comfortable and having the roof on and the walls in place will help. I am sure that the crews are used to winter conditions.

We have also been busy planning the inside of the library – our shelving and furniture needs. Metal shelving has been impacted by supply chain issues which have lessened a bit in recent months. We have been reviewing our needs and will place our order soon. The key concept in our furnishings will be flexibility. Nothing will be built in so that the spaces can be reconfigured as needs evolve. While we can't predict the future, we can be ready to respond to it in ways that will keep the library relevant for decades to come.

I often hear from people that they can't wait to see the finished product. We can't either! The good news is that we are on schedule to complete the project in the spring of 2023.



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