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FAST FACTS FOR A NEW LIBRARY

Highlights of the library project designed to keep people of New Glarus informed

- 1. The new library building is currently projected to total 14,800 square feet, approximately 10,700 of which is formal library space. The proposed space uses were developed after extensive research by the Library Board and staff and with the expertise of the South Central Library System and others.
- The <u>total</u> cost of the new library is expected to be between \$2,300,000 and \$2,500,000. This is similar to costs in many neighboring communities that approximate the size of New Glarus. Final costs will be determined on the final building design, and sucess of the fundraising campaign.
- 3. The maximum amount of support offered by the Village is \$1,000,000 in borrowing and \$50,000 in existing funds. All additional funds will be raised though private donations. If a suitable facility cannot be constructed for the total of village support (limited to \$1,050,000) and the fundraising campaign, adjustments to the building proposal will occur.
- 4. Public outreach and input is a cornerstone of the library's public strategy. Regular columns in the Post Messenger to keep the community fully up to date will continue. All Library Trustees and the leaders of the fundraising campaign Barb Anderson, Suzi Janowiak, Dan Gartzke and Jim Grant are available for questions and welcome your input.
- 5. The private fund raising campaign has a total goal of \$1,250,000. Gifts and pledges in excess of \$610,000 have been raised from people who want to show early support. The campaign is continuing so that everyone in New Glarus can get involved and the impact on taxpayers can be minimized.
- 6. The building proposal below has been prepared, and is specifically designed to be reminescent of Swiss architecture, take advantage of the sloped character of the site, provide off-highway access from Durst Road, allow for limited covered parking, take advantage of the beautiful views of Durst valley to the north, and provide for the needs of the New Glarus area to 2035.



