

Groundbreaking scheduled for library project

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REED CITY — Reed City Area District Library officials are one step closer to moving forward with their plan to renovate and move into the new library building, located on Chestnut Street.

During a meeting held by the RCADL Board on Sept. 14, Wakefield Construction was unanimously selected to renovate the new library located at the former St. Philip Neri School site. The building also was previously home to the administrative offices of the Reed City school district.

Construction is set to begin soon with completion scheduled for the second quarter of 2016.

"We're so pleased to be moving forward with great partners as we work to offer the very best library services to all of our district residents," said Christine Cox, RCADL board president.

Through a competitive proposal process, Lake Osceola State Bank was identified as the low bidder with lending terms for the project.

"This is a very exciting development for library services in the Reed City area," said library director Symon Bassett. "There has been a lot of community support for this renovation project and we look forward to diversifying services and meeting patron needs in a great new location."

In celebration of the project, a groundbreaking ceremony will take place at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 28, at the building site, located at 829 S. Chestnut.

The library continues to actively raise money and seek donations in support of the renovation project. Donation and project information can be found at reedcitylibrary.org. For more information, contact director Heather Symon Bassett, (231) 832-2131 during library hours or at director@reedcitylibrary.org; or contact board president Christine Cox at board@reedcitylibrary.org.