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The Trustees of Ashburnham's Stevens Memorial Library are pleased to announce the appointment of Jess Mynes to the position of Library Director, effective July 26, 2021.



Jess earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the St. Lawrence University and his Master's Degree in Library and Information Science from University Rhode Island.

Jess has a strong background in library service with over 20 years of experience at the community college, college, and local levels. For the last five years, Jess was the Assistant Dean of Library Services and Technologies at the LaChance Library of Mount Wachusett Community College. Jess serves on the Executive Committee of the Central & Western Massachusetts Resource Sharing Organization (CWMARS), of which Stevens Memorial Library is a member.

Jess lives in Wendell and serves on both the Town's Board of Library Trustees and Culture Council. He is also an accomplished poet with four published books.

During the interview process, when asked about his interest in public libraries, Jess said:

There is no fee to join a public library. A library and its resources can transform a person's intellectual, cultural and professional life. It is one of the most democratic institutions that we have as a society. There is nothing more rewarding than watching a library novice become a library devotee and to participate in their transformation.

The Trustees are confident that Jess is a great fit for Ashburnham and will ably guide the Library for years to come.