

Sanbornton Public Library Board of Trustees
Minutes for January 11, 2022

Call to order at 6 pm. In attendance David Adams, Carol Raymond, Grita Olmstead, Paula Grassie and Marcia Haigh. Chris Hobby (alternate) zoomed in.

Public Hearing was held to discuss the acceptance of a donation from the Abbott Charitable Trust to the Sanbornton Public Library in the amount of \$182,000. The board is incredibly grateful for this donation. Motion to accept the \$182,000 from the Abbott Charitable Trust by Carol Raymond and seconded by Grita Olmstead. Vote was unanimous.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the Secretary's Report from the January 11th meeting, Paula Grassie and seconded by Grita Olmstead, unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Grita reports that the main account balance is \$84,363.82. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report P Grassie/C Raymond. Unanimous.

Building Report: The front door is still in need of repair. Staff is working on decluttering and other preparations for the new Director.

Programs and events: Storytime is on pause until it is safer to meet with a group indoors. Fiber Arts, the Storywalk, book club and puzzle table are running.

Old Business: Covid-19 has increased the use of curbside and protocols are in place for inside usage.

New Business: Discussion on the 4% raises suggested for town employees by the Select Board on 1/15/22. The Trustees would also like to propose that for library staff. Motion to adjust SPL staff payroll to the 4% increase. C Raymond/P Grassie, unanimous.

The trustees are pleased to announce the new Director of the SPL will begin on January 18, 2022. We welcome Rebekka Mateyk and look forward to the patrons meeting and greeting her. Among her early duties will be recruiting an assistant and bringing to the board a proposal to update/upgrade the network.

The board discussed adding Hoopla as a service for patrons. This improves patrons ability to stream ebooks, audiobooks, music and movies with their library card. Motion to set aside \$4000 as a start up budget to begin the service. Funds will be supplied from recent donation money. C Raymond/P Grassie. Three in agreement, one abstention.

Other Business: The Memorandum of Understanding in regards to the SPL payroll is in process. The next steps will be to meet with the Selectboard and an attorney.

The library has two open seats for the Board of Trustees. Interested candidates are asked to register with the Town Clerk between January 19-28.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm P Grassie/G Olmstead.

Next Meeting-February 15, 2022 at 6 PM