

Freetown Board of Library Trustees
Minutes of Thursday, March 28, 2024
6:30 pm
James White Library

- Call to Order: Chairperson Paul Sadeck called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm. Paul Sadeck is recording the meeting.
- Present: Amy Sypher, Linda Fournier, Courtney Brightman, Beverly Sadeck, Paul Sadeck and Nicole Davignon- Library Director.
- Absent: Irene Ashley
- Review of Payroll: Payroll for February was reviewed. There were no questions or discussion.
- Review of Bills: Bills for February were reviewed. There were no questions or discussion.
- Review of Minutes: The minutes for February 22, 2024 and February 29, 2024 were reviewed. On a motion made by Linda Fournier and seconded by Courtney Brightman the minutes were accepted. The motion passed.
- Library Director: Nicole reported that the "Mario" event that was to be held during school vacation week will now be held at a later date. Nicole and her staff have planned four events to be held during April school vacation week. For an "Earth Day" activity the library will be handing out "Seed Bombs".
- The theme for this summer is- Adventure begins at your Library. Plans for summer activities are being developed.. On August 16, 2024, a mobile game company will be presenting - The History of Nintendo. This will be held in the community room at the police station. Games will be available for patrons to play.
- Nicole will be checking with the selectman's office for permission to roll-over Sharon's vacation time.
- On July 3rd the Hathaway Library will close at 4 pm secondary to parking issues due to the evening's fireworks display.
- Housekeeping ----- Alyssa will be on vacation for two weeks in May. Nicole has \$12,000 to spend this fiscal year. She can only

order a limited number of books because there is no space to store the books. Nicole has added several new museum passes available for patrons.

Old Business: Update on Building Program / Grant Application: The Trustees are asked to send their thoughts on a Community Vision to Nicole. This information will be included in the grant application. Nicole will be meeting with the Town Administrator in two weeks to finalize town information that needs to be included in the grant application. The Building Program Committee has not had a recent meeting.

Update on Septic and Water Quality issues: According the John Ashley (representing the Building Trustees) all the permits have been obtained to replace the current septic system. Tight tank has been ordered- estimated that it will be available in two weeks. When the tank will be installed will be dependent on the water level. John Ashley also mentioned to Paul that he will be planning to speak to the Town Administrator regarding the Building Trustees leasing the White Building to the town for \$1.00 per year. No date for this meeting has been set.

Water Quality: Water at the White Library has been tested and there are no issues.

Parking Lot Light: Paul will check with the Town Administrator to see if the town will cover the cost for this light. If the town will not cover the cost then the library will cover the cost as an expense. The church will submit a monthly invoice.

New Business: 2025 Budget: reviewed - no questions.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2024
May 23, 2024
June 20, 2024

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm was made by Linda Fournier and seconded by Amy Sypher. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted



Beverly Sadeck