

Newbury Public Library  
Newbury NH  
Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

**Date:** September 21, 2021

**Type of Meeting:** Business meeting

**Attendees:**

Library Staff: Lea McBain

Trustees: Lynne Tuohy, Eric Boyer, Jeanne Palleiko, Helen Wright, (Betsy Courant absent)

Alternate Trustee: Patricia Sherman, (Ken Tentarelli absent)

Members of the Public: none

Call to Order: Lynne Tuohy called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Motion was made to go into Closed Session to discuss Confidential employee matters.

Patricia made a motion to come out of Closed Session and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeanne. Roll call vote: Eric Boyer, Jeanne Palleiko, Lynne Tuohy, Helen Wright, Patricia Sherman.

Motion was made by Patricia to seal the minutes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynne. All in favor by roll call vote: Eric Boyer, Jeanne Palleiko, Lynne Tuohy, Helen Wright, Patricia Sherman.

Public session began at 5:53p.m. Campaign discussion: was led by Jeanne. Currently we need votes more than money. Jeanne has voter registration lists for the past 2 years which identifies individuals who attended town meeting. We need to target people who weren't at town meeting. Jeanne would like to be able to contact voters by email or telephone. We could mail a "Save the Date" card to voters in January. Targeting people who weren't at the last town meeting. We could do phone call reminders or email reminders. Many ideas/suggestions were discussed. Possibly have a public input meeting and have Eric oversee it. Lea mentioned that she is having a Mindfulness program via computer and it would be good to have a Trustee pop in at the end with a brief update on the campaign. New residents are a good voter pool. The Trunk or Treat event will be an opportunity to get information to the public. We should hold a public meeting, possibly early December, after the tax bills come out. Submit the Article for the Sunapee magazine possibly in January edition. Friends are having a meeting Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

Jeanne suggested that we need to have a Trustee attend every selectboard meeting.

Patricia will call Frank LeMay at the beginning of the year relative to the pricing and any changes.

Discussion about having an annual campaign appeal that will preserve the library's mission and setting aside a % to increase the endowment that we have from previous gifts.

Have a Public meeting in the fall and ask for donations in the fall.

Jeanne will be working on applying for the Mascoma grant proposal again and preparing the year 2020 Tax returns due November 15. (2 tax returns).

Truck or Treat is October 30, Saturday, at 10-12 p.m.

Lynne asked about the current library policy on masks. Lea said that they are urging anyone who comes into the building to wear a mask.

Lynne asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Eric motioned, Patricia 2<sup>nd</sup>, and all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:34p.m.

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