

TOWN OF NEWBURY



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MINUTES OF TRUSTEE MEETING: 08/12/2025

PRESENT:

TRUSTEES

Todd Mailly
Jeanne Palleiko
Sharon Stockel
Paul Sullivan
Lynne Tuohy

ALTERNATE

Alicia Zanderigo (Absent)

STAFF

Lea McBain
Paulina Shadowens

PUBLIC

Darren Finneral
Tim Gove
Carey Sullivan

Meeting started at 5:00 pm

1. Move to clarify the minutes of 6/10/2025 The line should read "once you create the forum you can remove the forum, *but you can't restrict by content. You can only limit by time, place or manner of posting.*" **Jeanne Palleiko made a motion to accept and Todd Mailly seconded, 5/0 to accept.**
2. Approval 07/12/2025 Minutes –**Motion to accept by Jeanne Palleiko, Lynne Tuohy seconds, 5-0 to accept.**
3. Public Input- Tim Gove presented to the board that Blue Sky Landscaping has a proposal for irrigation for the library grounds. The system can be installed in one or two phases. He was going to reach out to Blue Sky for a written proposal. Darren Finneral was able to answer questions from the board. The irrigation proposal will be presented at one of the next selectboard meetings by Darren Finneral. A board member will also be present if the selectboard has any questions. Tyler Landscaping will again donate their services for the landscaping in the back of the library. They will prep and seed the back and get the beds ready for planting.
4. Reports-
 - 4.1 Directors Report-The programs this past month have been highly attended, especially the donkey program. Continued monitoring of patron visits and digital use. The picnic tables need to be sanded and repainted. Lea McBain is going to reach out to a patron who may be willing to sand the table. People are using the library today more socially, and culturally than they did years ago. We discussed the need to write a policy for the small meeting room.

4.2 Treasurer's Report –**Motion to accept \$330.91 in unanticipated income by Todd Maily, Jeanne Palleiko seconds, 5-0 to accept.** The board continues to reviewed the cost of Eversource year to date. We have doubled the size of the building yet we are not far off our prediction of the budget for the cost. Jeanne Palleiko will continue to monitor.

4.3 Foundation Report –Still waiting for New Hampshire Saves to do an assessment on the older sections of the building, with ways to save money.

4.4 Friends Report-Carey Sullivan reports that the Old Home Day book sale was held indoors and made a profit of \$859. The Friends of the Library are exploring more ideas for organization and creating reading corners. They have devised a system to donate books and DVD's. Their next meeting will occur after Labor Day.

Carey Sullivan Reported that there will be a Regional Friends of the Libraries meeting, September 21st in at the Hookset Library.

4.5 Legislation – Board discussed legislation that has passed giving a parent or guardian access to what their minor child has taken out of the library. However, the age of a minor has yet to be determined. This law will be implemented in January 2026. The Book Challenge bill was vetoed.

4.6 Landscaping-Discussion regarding crushed rock and landscape cloth underneath for the back of the library under windows.

4.7 Draft Budget-**Motion to accept the draft budget by Jeanne Palleiko, seconded by Paul Sullivan, 5-0 to accept.**

- 5 Adjournment (Next meeting 9/16/25) -**Motion to adjourn by Lynne Tuohy, Jeanne Palleiko seconds, 5-0 to accept.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 pm

Minutes submitted by Sharon Stockel, Secretary