

Meeting Notes for the Wardsboro Public Library Trustee Special Meeting

Date 3/23/20

Meeting minutes by: Mark Fernandes

Venue: Teleconference

Those present:

Mark Fernandes

Sheri Lewis

Carol Backus

Jill Dean

Carol Fay

Changes to Agenda- None

Public Comments- None

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes- No comments or corrections

Receipt of Treasurer's Report- None

Receipt of Library Director's Report- None

New Business-

Commuter Parking Lot: There has been a proposal to designate the library parking lot as a "town commuter parking area". The board of selectboard has requested comments on this proposal from the library trustees. This was discussed and the following comments were made:

Pros:

None

Cons:

1. Condition of the parking lot surface is often not in good shape. Additional use of the parking lot would only exacerbate this problem.

2. Parking lot capacity is already stretched thin at times. It was noted that recently the parking lot has been filled to capacity due to a combination of simultaneous activities. Namely, library patrons, chat & chew book club, skateboarders. It was suggested and agreed by all that an alternative location for the commuter parking lot should be considered by the selectboard.

Library staff salaries and wages during Covid19 closure. It was noted that other town employees are being paid for hours worked during this period. It was agreed by all present that all library staff will be paid based on hours worked up to the maximum number of hours currently authorized. Jill will be checking in at the library on a regular basis to accept delivery of parcels and empty the "book return" box. Other activities, planning and administrative, will be performed at home and accounted for on the weekly timesheets.

Library cleaning during Covid19 closure; It was agreed that the cleaning is to be suspended during the closure period. This topic to be revisited on April 6th.

Old Business:

Vermont Arts Council Grant- It was suggested and approved by all present to suspend all application activities until after the Covid19 disruptions have ended

Adjourned at 7:55pm

Next meeting to be held on: April 6, 2020