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## Moretown Memorial Library Trustees Meeting Minutes

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1/9/20, 6:30 p.m. at the Library's winter location in the town hall.

**In attendance:** Jamie Wimble, Karen Sharpwolf, Jennifer Hill, Cory Stephenson, Elizabeth Burt

Public: Donald Wexer

### **6:36 Call to Order**

**6:36 Public Comment:** Donald Wexer came to share that the decision for the polling place for the Town Meeting voting will be at the Board of Civil Authority at 7:30 am on Monday January 13th at the Town Offices.

**6:49 Reading by Jamie:** Bustle's 7 Reasons Libraries Are Essential, Now More Than Ever:

<https://www.bustle.com/p/7-reasons-libraries-are-essential-now-more-than-ever-43901>

**6:55 Secretary's Report/Approve Minutes From [December](#) 9th**

Highlights: all reports shared and approved, shared about attending the Selectboard Meeting and brainstormed future items to share, discussed winter location logistics.

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### **6:56 Treasurer's Report**

No updates available at this time.

### **7:00 Librarian's Report**

Numbers are about normal. Friday Read&Play is well established. 40 people came to the Open Mic for December! Hopefully starting in the next few weeks there will be a knit/handcraft and chat night. There are other ideas in the works for the future. Cory will follow up with the Moretown Store about the coffee/hot chocolate coupons for new members. Everything went fine with the library/town hall most recent event.

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**7:00 Library concessions** - a patron is interested in expanding the tea/water to more of a cafe with baked goods and more drinks (coffee). Cory will check in the patron about this and get more information to us.

### **7:10 Staffing Updates/Needs**

- Library Assistant: Jamie is working Thursdays and Saturdays (temporarily), Cory has posted to FPF and will post it to VLA and FaceBook. Discussed possibilities of different staffing patterns for the future.
- Trustee positions discussed.
- Cleaner: currently has Town Hall as a duty only when there is an event. We will need to hire the cleaner for January, February and April.

### **7:52 Volunteer Appreciation:**

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- Souper Bowl Sunday February 16th 4-6 - trustees will bring a soup and some bread and dessert. Cory will send out invitations. Elizabeth and Jamie will set up. Jen and Karen will clean up.

#### **8:00 Policy Review:** Library use policy

- What is our policy around political events/meetings (that are not programs)?
- Parameters in our [policy](#) page 5
- There will also be an event use form with the information from the policy

#### **8:20 Grant Opportunity:** ALA Community Engagement Grant

- We will wait for this grant to be offered in the future

#### **8:26 Matters Arising**

- FPF survey for this library - yes from the Department of Libraries, but not for the Moretown Public Library
- Advocacy for Library - strategies
  - Friends Group rallied in the future with a Liaison
  - Need for a Liaison to the Town Office
  - Gather positive feedback from visitors (testimonials)
  - Invite the Selectboard to have a meeting here

#### **8:37 Set next meeting**

February 13th 6:30 in library temporary town hall location

#### **8:39 Adjournment**