

05.14.20 Moretown Library Trust
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Moretown Memorial Library Trustees Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
May 14, 2020, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

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In attendance: Cory Stephenson, Michelle Beard, Allison Dellner, Emily Wood, Jamie Wimble, Jennifer Hill

Public: Don Wexler

6:31 Call to Order

6:32 Public Comment: Don is the liaison from the Select Board and wants to start thinking more collectively about the location of the library and keep the momentum going to stay in the Town Hall and keep the idea going of a Community Center/Library/Town Hall facility. Don will talk at the next Select Board meeting to get a task group/committee together and he believes this is a good idea. Bethel VT University and 7 Days and article about libraries. Some next steps may be to connect other town committees, talk more about designs, start finding sources for money. Don will get back to us after the selectboard meeting

6:50 Reading

“Things falling apart is a kind of testing and also a kind of healing. We think that the point is to pass the test or to overcome the problem, but the truth is that things don't really get solved. They come together and they fall apart. Then they come together again and fall apart again. It's just like that. The healing comes from letting there be room for all of this to happen: room for grief, for relief, for misery, for joy.”

— Pema Chödrön, [When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times](#)

6:54 Secretary's Report/Approve Minutes 4/23, 3/14, 3/5, 2/13

(in general for future minutes..list all trustees how are present and who are absent)

February 13th [Meeting Minutes](#)

- Farewell to Karen and Elizabeth, Caller ID needed, Policy Review of Patron Policy, Talking Points for Town Meeting

Emily Wood moved approve and Jamie Wimble seconded and all voted to approve

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March 5th [Meeting Minutes](#)

- Elect Offices and Trustee Appointment

Jamie Wimble moved approve and Michelle Beard seconded and all voted to approve

March 14th [Meeting Minutes](#):

- Discuss emergency protocols for the COVID 19 pandemic, Offer curbside

Jamie Wimble moved approve and Emily Wood seconded and all voted to approve

April 23rd [Meeting Minutes](#)

- Keep curbside, financial heads up, successful remote programs, future thinking for programs, return to services plan, Library stay in Town Hall extended until June 1, 2021

Jamie Wimble moved approve and Emily Wood seconded and all voted to approve

7:00 Treasurer's Report

There is no Treasurer's report at this time. Michelle will share it when it is available

7:02 Librarian's Report [May 2020](#)

Expansion of current services/Interlibrary loan/Re-opening plan

- Cory shared a video and resources about considerations for re-opening.
- Emily asked what does our community want? Can we stay curbside for a while?
- Cory would be willing to do Tuesday 2-6, Thursday 2 - 6 and Saturday. This would expand the services, but not open the building.
- Michelle observed that there are a lot of community needs that are met with curbside.
- Jamie noted that access to the computer and wifi in the building would be good.
- Jen said that there are phases that we can look at and weigh the risk. Jamie added that we may need to open and then close and phases we may need to go into and out of.
- The Courier system starts next week and we aren't ready yet. What is the protocol for this? We can start June 1st. The timeline would include leaving books for five days and then getting to the patron, and then returning. Cory feels able to provide ILL and then offer ILL starting in June. The books in a bin may need to be left out for the courier.
- Grant opportunities - still planning on applying to the Rotary for summer intern. The state-wide grants are there for Covid readiness.

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- Programming successes: Any Book Book Club, VT Folklife Story Circle (Cory did one), Star Wars Trivia Night. Future: Birding by Ear outside with pre-reg and limit to 6-8 people, Marvel Trivia Night tomorrow, Summer Reading Program in August (802 Reptile booked)
- VOSHA training that Cory completed has been shared with the Town Offices.
- Signs for WiFi parking updated
- Jamie brainstormed things that people may need: move modem to the other side of the building closer to the parking lot, wifi booster, have tablets for folks to use,
- Do we need to move over more books from the other building? Where would the books go? What books would we move? What is the plan for transitioning space for Town Hall use?

7:56 Goal Sharing

- Michelle appreciated how Cory has maintained library services during the pandemic and keeps adapting.
- Books about black folks and written by black folks and wanting more
- Policy review schedule once other priorities are met

8:00 Matters Arising

Library trustee on the Community Committee (assign or rotate - Michelle every time and rotate for second trustee?). Jen will look at old minutes and be in touch with Don regarding possible membership.

8:10 Set next meeting

Review library report resources and share ideas with Cory/Jamie about phases of being open

Thursday June 11, 2020 at 6:30 via Zoom

8:11 Adjournment

Jennifer Hill moved that we adjourn and Michelle Beard seconded.