

Moretown Memorial Library Trustees Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
July 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Not Approved

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

Public: None Present

6:34 Call to Order

6:35 Public Comment: Jamie loves the WiFi! The hotspot is great.

6:36 Reading: *Invitation* by Shel Silverstein read by Emily Wood

6:37 Secretary's Report [from June 11, 2020](#) Highlights:

- Diversify the collection
- Getting rolling with Friends of the Library and Town Study Committee
- Reopening Plan

Jamie asked for a correction which Jen made.

Allison Dellner moved to approve and Michelle Beard seconded and all voted to approve.

6:38 Treasurer's [Report](#)

Emily Wood moved to approve and Allison Dellner seconded and all voted to approve.

6:40 Librarian's [Report](#)

- Circulation is looking high and Cory thinks this can be the ILL starting up again and the curbside pickup

- Fairy Tales Trivia Night the last Friday of July will kick off the Summer Reading Program
- In Person programming is starting up in August with social distancing and signing up. Different programs are being hosted by different libraries
- Camp Meade is an option to use for programming
- Beanstack is a new tool that is available
- Over 20 people have visited the past two days
- Hotspot will cover more area and the library wifi password is reinstated

Staffing: Cory can go up to 20 hours a week, but no more than that without benefits. Cory is planning adding another day of library service. Right now the library is open 11 hours and Cory is doing meetings and communication beyond that. Looking into hiring an assistant is a good idea right now for up to 9 hours a week and the pay increase can make it more appealing. Michelle quickly ran the numbers and we can increase Cory's hours and hire an assistant. Cory wants to add Monday or Friday library open hours, or lengthen an existing day.

7:00 Select Board/Town updates

Jamie, Emily and Michelle attended the Selectboard meeting this past Monday. They had no questions about the reopening and are happy to hear that Waitsfield Telecom is stepping it up with the hot spot installation as a gift. The Selectboard has started setting up the Committee by emailing town committees asking folks to be a part of this group to determine future plans for the Town Hall. Jamie will contact Sasha to be included in the emails regarding the formation of the committee. The next Selectboard meeting is planning to be at the Town Hall and having it cleaned before and after the meeting.

MOU next step between library and the Selectboard: Jen Hill will use what Cory shared to draft a version for our purposes and have a conversation with Tom about this.

7:18 Friends update Jamie has made contact with the existing Friends and is starting to reach out to other folks who may be interested in joining. Jamie looked into the Dept of Libraries' guidelines and this group should work quarterly and be

a work based group (does not need to be formal). Jamie will continue to pull this group together and find one to be the chair.

7:24 Collection development

- Allison shared a list of suggested books that the library can purchase. Allison is interested in going through and prioritizing the list for purchases. The list includes books for adults and youth and Allison highlighted the ones that the valley libraries do not have. Emily is interested in working with Allison and Cory on prioritizing the list to guide purchases.
- Jen shared that she went to a training that the Dept of Libraries hosted with Vermont and Jen will share
- Michelle suggested that the Friends can finance book purchases to get these collections going. We can look into grants for funding these purchases
- We have books from the school teachers and library. Cory is getting the loaned books organized for circulating using [Library Thing](#). Emily will help Cory with this work.
- Your facility (Moretown Memorial Library) has been selected for a women's suffrage centennial book donation. #LibrariesEngageVoters!

7:40 Matters Arising

- Peace and Justice Center Programs - yes, this is a possibility for the fall in conjunction with the other valley libraries. Allison is in touch with them about what programs are being offered. Cory is thinking late August, early September would work best (after Summer Learning Program).
- Valley Library Trustees getting together: last year training was at Joslin and Lara Keenan ran the workshop and it was informative and useful. It was an opportunity for us to get together. We need clear goals for this to be worthwhile and useful. We will come back to this when there is a purpose and clarity.

7:52 Next Meeting

Thursday August 13, 2020 at 6:30 via Zoom

8:00 Adjourn

Allison Dellner moved to adjourn and Emily Wood seconded. All voted to adjourn.