

**Thornton Public Library
Library Trustee Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 29, 2021**

Chairwoman GRAVEL called the meeting to order at 3:08 PM at the Thornton Public Library (TPL).

Members Present: Diane Gravel, Chair; Kate Hadaway, Treasurer; Anita Ross, School/Library Liaison; Kim Kuchon, Alternate Trustee and Secretary; Christine, Library Substitute

Members Not Present: N/A

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved after a minor addition.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

LIBRARY STAFF

Class Schedule- Classes will resume next Monday and continue for the week as Sam has been approved for return after her Covid quarantine.

Questions and Concerns- Christine reported that TPL would benefit from the purchase of adult headphones for public use with the computers. Christine expressed concern over keeping track of Thornton Central School (TCS) students who use the library afterschool to wait for pickup. She suggested the implementation of a check in/check out sheet. The trustees agreed that would be a good idea.

REPORTS

Library/School Liaison

ROSS reported that Covid cases are down to four and it seems to be slowing down. HADAWAY, ROSS, GRAVEL, and Mr. Bownes will attend the Board of Selectmen meeting on Wednesday, November 3 at 11 AM. It is likely they will need to take Personal Days to attend since the meeting is midday during a school day and they are all employed at TCS.

OLD BUSINESS

Building Committee- The Building Committee meets on Tuesday, November 2 at 5 PM.

2022 Budget- The trustees agreed to meet Wednesday, November 3 at 3:30 PM to further discuss the budget. HADAWAY noted that Dead River will commit to a one or two year contract with TPL. A one year contract was quoted at \$2.2277/gallon and a two year contract was quoted at \$2.236/gallon. The quotes may change daily. ROSS made a motion to commit TPL to a one year contract with Dead River. HADAWAY seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Ancestry and Heritage Quest- Chairwoman GRAVEL stated that Ancestry is worth the cost but she does not believe that patrons are using Heritage Quest. She noted that most of the things being offered by Heritage Quest are available for free on other sites. She suggested that TPL keeps Ancestry but drops Heritage Quest. HADAWAY made a motion to continue to subscribe to Ancestry through the State Library. ROSS seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

N/A

Christine left the meeting at 3:31 PM

NONPUBLIC COMMENT

ROSS made a motion to exit the public portion of the meeting and enter nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and (b) . HADAWAY seconded the motion. ROSS: Yes; HADAWAY: Yes; GRAVEL: Yes. The motion passed unanimously. The trustees exited the public portion of the meeting at 3:32 PM.

The trustees entered the nonpublic session at 3:32 PM.

HADAWAY made a motion to resume the public session at 4:43 PM. ROSS seconded the motion. ROSS: Yes; HADAWAY: Yes; GRAVEL: Yes.

ROSS made a motion to seal the nonpublic minutes from October 29, 2021. ROSS seconded the motion. ROSS: Yes; HADAWAY: Yes; GRAVEL: Yes.

HADAWAY made a motion, with regrets, to accept the resignation of Samantha Smith. ROSS seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETINGS

Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 3:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

HADAWAY made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:43 PM. ROSS seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

HADAWAY- Purchase adult headphone set

CHRISTINE- Create a student check in/out log for afterschool kids

HADAWAY- Purchase Ancestry subscription (cancel Heritage Quest subscription)

Approved November 3, 2021