

***Deering Library Board of Trustees  
762 Deering Center Road  
Deering, New Hampshire 03244***

**Minutes of 4 Feb 2019**

The meeting was held in Deering Town Hall

**Trustees present:** Chair Cynthia Krill, Gary Samuels, Betsy Holmes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by chair Krill

**Old Business:**

Community Center/Library.

The discussion at this meeting of the trustees focused on gauging interest in the town for a community center/library. Betsy Holmes developed a list of talking points for use in meeting library personnel in towns that have recently undertaken redevelopment projects in their libraries. She visited the Holderness library, which has recently undergone redevelopment. Holderness is a town with a population somewhat smaller than that of Deering, but with a far more affluent tax base. Moreover, a wealthy resident approached Holderness trustees with an offer of \$100K to begin redevelopment of the town library. Thus comparison with Holderness is not particularly useful for Deering trustees. The message from the Holderness experience for Deering library trustees is the importance of hiring a fund raiser. However the expense of hiring a fund raiser is beyond our current ability.

Library trustees will have a slot in the Town Meeting agenda to briefly introduce the subject of a community center/library and to announce a meeting of interested individuals. This meeting will take place on Thursday, 4 April at 7:00 pm in Town Hall. The meeting will be open to the public, but invitations will be sent to specific individuals who trustees think might have a strong interest in seeing such a project succeed.

Little libraries. A second Little Library will be constructed for placement at Deering Lake.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 4.

Respectfully submitted

Gary Samuels

Secretary