

**Deering Library Board of Trustees  
762 Deering Center Road  
Deering NH 03244**

Minutes of March 7, 2022

**Trustees present:** Chair Betsy Holmes, Eric Stauffer, and Susan Thomas  
**The meeting was called to order by Chair Holmes at 7:03 pm**

**Minutes:** Unanimous vote to accept the minutes of January 10

**Report on Budget Meeting;** Betsy Holmes reported attending the town budget meeting, and that our requested budget generated very few questions.

**Update on Board Business –**

**Bills;** The Tuttle Library in Antrim has provided a bill for \$75 for annual use of their media by Deering residents. The Trustees voted to approve payment of this bill under dues and subscriptions.

**Schoolhouse Library roof replacement;** Queen City Roofing has provided a quote to replace the library roof at a discounted rate of \$3500. After some discussion regarding conditions and terms of the agreement, the Trustees unanimously voted to accept the quote. The Trustees also unanimously approved taking the funds for the roof replacement from the Library Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. Sue Thomas will forward the paperwork to the Town Administrator for approval and processing. Presentation to the Board of Selectmen for approval will be at the BOS meeting Thursday March 17.

**Moose Plate Grant;** Betsy reported that the town has received a check from the State for the first 50% of the grant money. The Trustees discussed the RFP process for the library steps and walkway. RFPs are due by April 4th, and all proposals will be opened publicly at the Trustees meeting at 7 pm on April 4. Betsy and Sue will be meeting prospective contractors for site visits over the next few weeks.

**Planning Timeline for 2022;** The Trustees discussed a timeline goal for the next few months. In March the schoolhouse roof will be replaced, in April the schoolhouse ceiling should be repaired, in May the Trustees plan to organize, clean and furnish the library, and by June the plan is to open the library to town residents a few hours per week. The Trustees also discussed having a grand opening event.

**Other business;** Betsy suggested scheduling programs again, specifically the Abenaki Indian program that was cancelled two years ago. She will check with the presenter and we will discuss that topic at the next meeting. Sue requested approval to purchase books for the library. It was agreed that book purchases will be approved by Trustees prior to ordering, to avoid duplication.

**Betsy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.**  
**The next meeting will be on April 4th at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Thomas