

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

Minutes of August 7, 2023

Trustees present: Chair Betsy Holmes, Eric Stauffer, and Susan Thomas

The meeting was called to order by Chair Holmes at 7:00 pm

Minutes: Unanimous vote to accept the minutes of July 10th as amended.

Updates on Board Business; An invoice was received from the Tuttle Library in Antrim for annual use of electronic resources by Deering residents. The Trustees unanimously approved payment of this invoice from budgeted operating expenses. Sue has obtained one quote for painting of the schoolhouse building, and will pursue additional quotes. Betsy Holmes will also post to facebook to find another possible painter. There are no other outstanding bills at this time.

Review tasks required to prepare for August 11 program; Betsy reported that she has deposited the check from NH Humanities Council in the library checking account. The program speaker, Robert Goodby, will then be paid from the library checking account, and the Trustees unanimously approved also paying his mileage from the checking account. He will be given a check at the program on Friday. Betsy will coordinate drinks and snacks for the program, and the Trustees will meet at the Town Hall shortly after 6 pm Friday to set up.

Planning for Final 2 Months of Library Hours; The Trustees discussed Saturday programming scheduled for the library in August and September. Sue has advertised August programming in the Senior News and Church newsletter, and Betsy will post events on facebook and in The Messenger as the dates approach.

Budget Discussion for the remainder of 2023; Sue Thomas will reduce the purchase of books monthly for the library, as remaining budgeted operating expenses are minimal. Deering book group selections will continue to be purchased.

Other discussion; Sue Thomas mentioned that she is currently obtaining quotes to have the exterior of the schoolhouse building painted. Also, the Little Free Libraries will be filled by Sue in mid-August.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 11, at 7 pm in the library building.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Thomas