

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

Minutes of June 6, 2022

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 May 9.

Updates on Board Business; Betsy Holmes stated that she has deposited the checks received for the brick fundraiser into the library checking account with no problems. Sue Thomas reported that the bill for the ceiling repair was submitted to Julius for payment on May 30th. This bill was previously approved by the Trustees of the Trusts for payment from the Library Building Expendable Trust Fund, so it should be paid. Except for a possible electric bill all payments are up to date.

Updates on Building Work; Trustees noted that the ceiling repair has been completed and the ceiling was left primed for future painting. Sue reported that removal of the two ash trees next to the schoolhouse building is expected to be completed by LaValley Northern Services in June. She will check with Barry LaValley by the third week of June if it has not yet been done. Betsy and Sue reported selecting an exterior light from Colonial Lighting in Town, to match the historic reproduction fixtures on the front of the Town hall. We have not yet received a quote for the cost of the exterior light. Sue will follow up with Chuck at Colonial Lighting and we will discuss at the July meeting.

Brick Project Updates; Betsy reported that ten more orders have been received for the brick fundraising project. She will put another reminder on social media since the fundraising deadline is June 30th. Sue is entering the order information into the Excel spreadsheet for PavLok. Betsy suggested that a letter be sent to donors to thank them for their support. The Trustees also discussed ideas for additional fundraising. The possibility of a book sale was discussed, and collecting donations at the Church Faire. This discussion will be revisited in the future.

Review of the Library Bylaws; Eric Stauffer reported that the updates will be provided for the next Trustees meeting in July.

Work Tasks Outline for the Year; Betsy has received confirmation from the Church that the speaker has been booked for August 5th for the program on "One Room Schoolhouses in New Hampshire". Betsy has reserved the Town Hall, and the library has offered to provide refreshments. We also discussed rebooking the program on Abenaki Indians, possibly for October. The Trustees decided on a plan to re-open the schoolhouse library for book circulation, and set a goal for August. The walkway is expected to be installed in August, so the library will have open hours once it is safe. The Trustees scheduled another work party for June 16th to organize and clean the library building in preparation for re-opening. The Trustees discussed ways to obtain historic photos of Deering for display on the library walls. Betsy will check files at the Town Hall for possible photos, as well as documents, maps, and other historic artifacts.

Betsy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

The next meeting will be on Monday July 11 at 7:00 pm, at the schoolhouse library.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Thomas