



Whipple Free Library

There's Always Another Chapter

Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees

April 21st, 2026

Present: Kerri Kelley, Susan Hansen, Christa Snyder, John Fladd, Jennifer Allocca, and Tanya Ricker (Library Director)

Absent: Mike Pare

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Kerri Kelley, Chair.

Recurring Business:

- **Minutes: Susan**
 - March minutes reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes by Jennifer. Motion seconded by John. Five trustees in favor. Michael abstained.
- **Treasurer's report: Jennifer**
 - March Treasurer's Report reviewed. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by John. Motion seconded by Michael. Vote unanimous.
- **Library Director's Report: Tanya**
 - Tanya is working on the annual staff reviews.
 - Tanya is working on quotes for the concrete pad for the gazebo.
 - The new library sign should be installed in the next month.
 - The library received a \$750 grant from Scotts Miracle Gro for the community garden. 2 raised beds will be installed.
 - EBSCO Solar grant will be submitted soon.
 - The heat pump was fixed and the electric bill has dropped significantly with the warmer temperatures. Granite State will evaluate the system and solar recommendations after a full year of data.
 - The non-fiction weed is close to being finished.
 - The town wide yard sale proceeds will go toward the library pantry.
- **Friends Report: Susan**
 - The auction was a success and raised over \$7000.
- **Facilities Maintenance: Michael C.**
 - The water test passed. Will be tested again in May.

Business Carried Over from Last Meeting

- Default Budget - Tanya is asking to consider closing on Saturdays in the winter to save money since the town is under a default budget.
- The Select Board approved raises for 2.5% for town employees except for department heads. Tanya is uncertain she can fit in raises in the budget this year.
- UKG Ready application is the new software for staff to clock in and out. Bugs are still being worked out. Library staff would like to manual punch instead due to the nature of their positions.
- Barbara Ballou Service Scholarship is open until May 1st.

New Business:

- None

Non-Public Session – Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3

- Jennifer motioned to enter nonpublic at 8:39pm. Seconded by Michael. All trustees in favor.
- Susan motioned to re-enter public session at 8:55pm and was seconded by Michael. All trustees in favor.

Calendar of Events:

- May 19: Trustee meeting at 7:00pm
- May 27: NHLTA Spring Conference

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:55pm by Jennifer. Motion seconded by Michael. All trustees in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Hansen, Secretary