

Minutes of Tuftonboro Free Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
December 14, 2017

Present: **Trustees:** Gordon Hunt, Paul Matlock and Mary Ann Murray, **Alternate Trustee:** Marsha Hunter **Director:** Christie Sarles

Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM

1. Public Comment: none

2. Minutes: Minutes were accepted as presented

3. Treasurers Report: The treasurers report was accepted as presented. Motion: Unexpended salary funds to be sent by the town to the library general fund for maintenance/repairs. Passed 3-0.

4. Librarians Report: A) the state is unable to provide genealogy database usage for October and November. The state suggests using an average for October and November, but we will not do that. This makes our circulation artificially low. B) There was a good crowd at the tree lighting/polar express. C) There were 37 people for Christmas crafts. D) The library purchased two library book trucks (book carts) from the Hill Library in Strafford at a good price. E) Revision Energy reports that the rules have changed for energy rebates making municipal projects like our less attractive, but if we pass in March to let them know. They think we should consider purchasing our own solar system. There also may be a town wide effort to put solar on many municipal buildings that we could be part of. F) Due to problems matching tiles, the hole in the ceiling caused by the water leak will not be repaired.

5. New Business:

A) CIP report is out. We are in the CIP report for \$1.1 million. They recommend a 20 year bond.

B) Warrant article preparation: Who prepares? Christie thinks DRA writes articles. Gordon will talk to selectmen and the moderator to find out who writes the articles.

C) Marketing: after Christmas we need to start having public meetings. Gordon would like a big meeting in the school, and smaller ones in the library. January 27 was proposed date for the big meeting with a snow date of February 3. The small meeting would be coffee hours every other week with proposed dates of 2/10, 2/24, 3/10. We are considering an evening meeting on Valentines Day. The meeting ideas will be discussed with the fund raising committee. Ideas were presented for civic groups that we could present to. Ideas included the Hikers, the PTA and the Tuftonboro Association sticky party. The Hikers meet on Feb 1 or March 1. We also need to talk to the Friends of the Tuftonboro Library who meet next on January 11 at 1.

Old Business: none

Meeting Adjourned 8:55

Next Meeting: January 11 at 8:00

Respectfully submitted, Paul Matlock, recording secretary