

Attleboro Public Library Board of Trustees - Meeting Minutes -

March 11, 2020

The Meeting was called to order by Board President Charlie Oliver at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Trustees: Beth Gould, Diane Mangiaratti, Charlie Oliver, Mahesh Patel, Tobey Reed, Eileen Struminski, Tricia Svendsen

Library Director: Chris Johnson

MINUTES

Minutes of February 12, 2020, meeting were approved with the following corrections:

1. Date changes: in header changed from 12/12/2020 to 2/12/2020 and under Next Meeting - changed from March 8, 2020 to March 11, 2020.
2. Spelling of Tobey Reed's name from Toby to Tobey.

BUSINESS REQUIRED BY LAW

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was a motion to approve Warrant # 9 in the amount of \$3882.56. It was approved.

A motion to accept a receipt of gifts in the amount of \$30.00 was approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Written report was submitted and reviewed.

In addition, Chris reported that recent problems with the three year old water heater caused Columbia Gas to shut it down. A pipe was replaced, but the unit still did not work. S.S. Service Corp was not helpful, and ultimately Columbia Gas replaced the water heater. In light of ongoing issues with service the city plans to go with a new vendor next year.

Chris mentioned a minor issue with the Wifi Hotspots where patrons from the same address with temporary cards check in a Hotspot and immediately one of them checks it out. Chris will encourage the director of the shelter to purchase an affordable Hotspot so residents will not have to rely on the library's Hotspots as their only access to Wifi.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Director's Report includes information on the Tech Committee meeting on Feb. 12, new volunteers, e-rate quotations and equipment upgrades.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chris included updates on the Building Envelope project in the Director's Report.

One name was suggested for a vacant spot on the Library Board of Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS

Chris asked for a matching grant for \$264 for RIF books from the Chiarenza Fund. A motion was made and approved.

The library is in need of money for a supply of AAA batteries for the Playaways. Chris requested \$30 from the Circulation Gifts for this purchase. Motion was made and approved.

Charlie informed the Board of the Friends of the Library's participation in Library Giving Day. Joan Keiper is seeking Board input on business leaders who could be included in a mailing soliciting donations on April 23 for this day of giving in support of the library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next meeting: April 8, 2020

Remainder of 2019-2020 Meeting Dates: 5/13 and 6/10