

Taft Public Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

August 11, 2021

Members present: Ellen Agro, Wayne Phipps, Alison Chu, Sean Nicholson

Members absent: Sharron Luttrell, Shana Miller

Staff present: Andrew Jenrich

Friends of Taft Library: no member attended

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

1. Welcome to Sharron Luttrell who has joined the Board through May of 2022
2. Friends update – no member was present and no update given
3. Andrew presented his Director's report and Budget report.
 - Programming continues to see good attendance
 - Summer reading program ends this week
 - Library received 5 Hotspots that should be live as of Monday the 19th via a federal program
 - Several spots on roof have small leaks. Andrew is working to find a roofer. Ellen asked if insurance would cover the cost.
 - Regular book return procedures have begun (no quarantine period).
 - Non-vaccinated patrons and those under the age of 12 are asked to wear a mask.
 - Andrew is working with National Grid to see about installing an electric car charging station
 - There is a dead tree near the pergola. Andrew will contact Alan Tetreault about having it removed as it is a safety issue.
 - There is a Mendon boy looking to start little libraries around town for an Eagle Scout project. Trustees fully support the project but feel that a little library in front of the Taft library would potentially confuse people returning books to Taft. Potential locations were discussed including the old library, the senior center, and the Unitarian Church
 - Kathy Schofield would like to use the library as a location for video interviews of Mendon seniors for an oral history of Mendon. Andrew suggested Monday afternoons and weekends after the library is closed would work for him. The Trustees unanimously agreed to allow this.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday September 14th at 6:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm