

Friends of the Taft Public Library Minutes
Taft Public Library, Mendon, MA
Feb. 25, 2025, 7:00 PM

Members present: Caitriona Scott, Lisa Bibring, Dona Marie Son, Leigh Martin
Also present: Andrew Jenrich

I. Call to Order & Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Caitriona Scott.

II. Minutes

Caitriona moved to accept the Jan. 28, 2025, minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Meeting Updates

The trustees' meeting took place on Feb. 6, 2025, at 6:00 PM. Leigh highlighted topics discussed, including the rectory group moving to subcommittee status and is choosing an architect; the continuing edits on the emergency procedures manual; and the library's offering cardboard boat construction classes later in the spring. Next trustees' meeting is Mar. 13, 2025, at 6:00 PM.

IV. Library Updates

The library is searching for a volunteer genealogist, as Phyllis Foley will be stepping down in the near future. The town has contracted with CivicsPlus to implement a centralized town website encompassing all departments, including the library. The Friends will pay for the library's annual Zoom subscription.

V. Friends Old Business, New Business, and Upcoming Events

Upcoming programming includes a Zentangle class on Feb. 27; a felting class on March 3; a floral basket workshop on Apr. 10; and a historical re-enactment and tea on Apr. 30. The trees for kids and teens giveaway program will take place this spring and has 17 requesters at this point. The seed library is currently being replenished and organized for this growing year. The Story Trail at West Hill is still in progress. Books will be collected in April and the book sale will take place June 7.

Friends Financial Update: Lisa provided a financial update, and accounts are in good financial health.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

The next meeting date and time is Mon., Mar. 31, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

Minutes by Leigh Martin