

FLETCHER MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

Apr. 9, 2026

Present: Cardwell, Haldas, Woodward, Kaye, Hochstetter, Desjardins, O'Brien, Fowler, Larsen

Absent: Edwards, Regan,

Call to order: Called to order at 4:03 pm

Seating of alternate: none

Audience for citizens: None

Approval of minutes: Motion made by Haldas, 2nd by Kaye and passed to accept minutes as presented.

Treas. Report: 1. Discussed insurance costs and problems with Nationwide late billing. Current policy will remain. 2. Reviewed budget

Librarian report: On file at FML. Discussed the summer music program. Motion made by Fowler, 2nd by O'Brien and approved to fund the music program up to \$750 from "donations" in the budget. The remainder of program costs will come from "anonymous donor"

On Going business: A. Budget: Presented to the board of Finance on 4/8/26. Oil costs have doubled. Discussed 50% increase in oil budget request next year. Average oil cost is approximately \$3k. Discussed \$1500 increase to total budget request to town next year to reflect current inflation and costs for 2027.

B. See Librarian report. **C.** Parking lot repair estimates. Estimate from Willis is \$27k – does not include landscaping. Estimate from Kyle Donahue \$12k – does not include paving, only deals with water diversion. Estimate from Steve Donahue \$14k – does not include paving, only deals with water diversion. Options discussed. Cardwell to get more details on work to be done and look at other work sites. Need to consider "drainage" v. paving, landscaping, edging issues. Discussed funding options.

C. Garage rental: current tenant not able to clean out garage at this time – requests delay til May After discussion, Cardwell will inform tenant he should evacuate the garage by Apr. 15 and board members are available to help.

D. Policy review. Reviewed Anti- harassment policy. Motion to accept policy with grammar corrections made by Haldas, 2nd by Fowler and approved. Next policy to be reviewed is Customer Service.

New Business : none

Adjourn: adjourned at 5:15 pm with motion by Fowler, 2nd by Kaye Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hochstetter

Next meeting May 4, 2026 at 4pm