

Fobes Memorial Library Trustee Meeting minutes, July 18,2023, 6pm

Attending: Sam Bodine, Lisa Huntington, Emily Glidden and Susan Meyer

Reviewed and accepted minutes from May 24 and June 14

We still need to sign an annual employment contract with Sam— she's going to show it to Town Counsel first.

The elevator is functioning again. Hudson Bennett said it was his mistake, he put something in wrong. No bill from him yet. He will return before our inspection next year.

Susan Turnbull has offered to host a town wide yard sale table at the library. We all agree it sounds great.

The well had leakage in its casing so they recased it down to 60 ft. The well is ~130 ft deep. There's no water now because the ground water is blocked out and the well has run dry. There is no well drillers report. C Cummings says we need to drill new well. We're not sure how to proceed. SM will call Mike Russ, plumber for the renovations. SB will call Charlton water company for another opinion.

Sam has proposed two new policies.

The first is a Photography and filming policy. Other libraries are being subjected to "first amendment audits"— patrons film the librarian (legally) as they say confrontational things. The second is a Reciprocal lending policy for patrons of towns with non-certified libraries. They can attend events but may not borrow materials.

Both policies are unanimously accepted.

Lisa has a plan from Julian Votruba of NE Environmental Design. It is for small area to be built up and repaved. Julian has donated the plan. Sam will bring it to Duffy Thursday.

Sam is still trying to determine correct ADA codes. She has contacted the Architectural Access Board. Duffy is using 2015 International Building code 521 CMR or 780 CMR. Lisa will try to design a curving path from entrance near patio to playhouse for handicapped access.

Duffy wants an architect to tell him what type of building the playhouse is so he can determine what code to follow. Lisa will contact Phil Warbasse. Sam will try Oldakowski.

Next meeting as needed.