

Jericho Town Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 6, 2025

Present: Brandon Ackel, Barb Adams, Tom Dowd, Lindsey Halman, Linda Porter, Sue Macmillan, and Catherine Bass- Library Director

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's report from the last meeting (April 8, 2025) was accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff was unable to attend this meeting, so no report was submitted.

Highlights from the Director's Report:

Catherine wanted to keep her report short in order to make ample time for the discussion of the ADA building plans.

1). Circulation: Total circulation for April was 1,452.

2) Programs: Programs continue to run smoothly and are well attended.

Most popular this month: Spanish Storytime and Artist's Way

New and coming soon: Radio show by and for kids, Robotics program for kids, Calligraphy for adults, and a Telescope program.

Delayed until Summer: "Poem in your Pocket" Poetry Walk in honor of Mary Jane Dickerson

4). Summer Celebration on the Green: There will be a party to celebrate the kick-off of the Summer Reading Program on June 28th from 12 – 2 pm. This celebration will also be used to commemorate the 200th anniversary of our building.

Building Needs:

1) Pest Control: Miller Pest Control will continue with their services.

2) Outside Bulletin Board: The Town will be contacted about repairing this structure.

3) Book Drop: The book drop has had rain/weather issues for some time now. Lindsey will ask the Town to raise the level of it.

4) Flower Beds: It was noted that the flower beds need a lot of work. Catherine is working with some patrons who have volunteered to work on them this summer.

5). Crushed Stone: Tom stated that some crushed stone is needed for the perimeter of the building. Lindsey will ask the Town for this.

6). Front steps and Door of the Building: A fresh coat of paint is needed as soon as weather permits. Tom volunteered to get a quote for this work.

7). Fire Extinguisher: Sue volunteered to check this each month.

Discussion of ADA Building Plans:

There was a lengthy discussion on the direction and next steps for the ADA project. It had been previously decided to separate the project into three phases. Lindsey and Catherine suggested that these phases be consolidated into two projects. The plans and preliminary estimates were

included in an information packet for all to review. There was considerable debate concerning the pros and cons of this approach. It was agreed that Lindsey and Catherine would present this plan (option C) at the Select board meeting on Thursday, May 15th. Board members were encouraged to attend this meeting in person or by Zoom, if possible.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Macmillan/ JTL Secretary

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 10th at 5:30 pm.