

Trustees of the M.N. Spear Memorial Library
December 12, 2024 7:30pm, Zoom
Minutes

- Members present: Mel DeSilva, Brad Foster, Elizabeth Murphy, Pam Ososky, Michele Regan-Ladd
- Absent: Kate Cell
- Mary Anne Antonellis: Library Director

- Meeting minutes approved:
 - November minutes approved: Elizabeth Murphy- YES, Pam Ososky- YES, Michele Regan-Ladd- YES, Mel DeSilva- YES, Brad Foster- YES
- Signature Collection Policy
 - Reviewed, discussed and approved unanimously - Elizabeth Murphy- YES, Pam Ososky- YES, Michele Regan-Ladd- YES, Mel DeSilva- YES, Brad Foster- YES
- Director's Report
 - Becky Torres, under the Selectboard's direction, applied for a municipal vulnerability grant to help towns meet the demands of climate change. The grant proposal is for solar panels and a free-standing solar back-up battery. The architect is working on getting the details together to provide to the granting agency. Mary Anne will be administering this grant.
 - Grant-funded program for this calendar year is almost complete. Winter family fun fair is this Saturday and is the last grant-funded program of the year.
 - New Salem Academy grant- 9 arts and crafts programs scheduled.
- Building Committee Update
 - Framing is in progress.
 - The building won't be closed in by winter, but they're moving along as quickly as possible.
 - The beams are scheduled to be delivered the third week of January.
 - The building will have a roof and windows by the end of March.
 - They will work through the winter.
 - They're 3 weeks behind schedule with the framing, but are ahead of schedule with the site work.
 - After a back and forth, National Grid is in agreement with the electrical engineer re the exterior electrical.
 - They're putting a new poll in and that will come to a Selectboard meeting.
- Friends of the Library
 - Library Giving Day: \$40,000
 - Pavers: 43 pavers for a total of \$6500
 - Turkey Trott: Profited about \$17k
 - Trustees will purchase one \$25 each
 - Soups & Stews: \$1370
- Special Town Meeting: Library budget article passed.

Next meeting: Monday, February 24 at 7:30pm- hybrid

Respectfully submitted by Melanie (Mel) DeSilva, Secretary, Library Board of Trustees