

**BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES  
December 18, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Bedford Public Library Board of Trustees was held on December 18, 2015 in the New Hampshire Room. In attendance were Ed Moran (Chair), Tony Frederick (Treasurer), Walter Gallo (Trustee), Mary Ann Senatro (Library Director), and Miriam Johnson (Assistant Director). The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

**Secretary's Report** – Minutes from the November 20, 2015 meeting were accepted and approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – The Treasurer's report was reviewed and accepted. The following donations were accepted by the Trustees: Paula Blank - \$50; Bedford Garden Club book in memory of Anne Jacobs - \$22.

**Director's Report** – See attached.

**Old Business:**

**Budget 2016** – Mary Ann attended the Town Council budget sessions. The library budget was cut by \$21,820 at the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. The intent of the cut was a reduction in the wages line, but the Council recognized that the library budget is a bottom line budget, with the Trustees determining the amount on individual lines. The library will begin summer hours in June to reduce some hours in that line. At the December 16<sup>th</sup> Council meeting the budget was finalized and will move to two public hearings. Mary Ann distributed the 2015 budget and the end of year balances were discussed.

**Geothermal Project Update** – The Town Council approved reallocation of funding from the infrastructure bond at the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting to fund the library geothermal project. It is expected that drilling will begin soon. It is unclear at this point how the project will affect operations.

**Library History Display** – Bob Brooks will be giving a presentation on the library history display at the January meeting of the Trustees.

**New Business:**

**Facilities** – The hard drive on the security system was replaced. The parking lot lights have all been replaced with LED fixtures. The water damage from the sprinkler system valve leak in the lower level has been repaired.

**Monitors** – The Trustees approved the purchase of two LCD monitors.

**Motion:** Walter moved to approve the purchase of two LCD monitors. Tony seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

The next meeting will held on Friday, January 15, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the New Hampshire Room. The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Senatro  
Library Director

Miriam Johnson  
Assistant Director