

Hill Public Library

Library Trustees Meeting Minutes - March 17,2026

Meeting called to order: Frank 2nd – Debbie Time: 2:07

Chair: Frank Marsh, Treasurer: Debbie Fay-Marsh, Rebekka Mateyk, Librarian: Lynn Christopher

Any changes to last month's minutes? Yes, Add receipt and acceptance of donation of \$100.00 to Hill Public Library from Libby Hayes in memory of Virginia Cantara. Minutes will be corrected and distributed.

Treasurer's Report and warrant presented and approved.

Librarian's report: month of February

Open Days: 15

Patrons: 223

Computer Usage: Total: 10

Adult: 5

Child: 5

Material Circulation: 228

Downloadable Books: 66

Inter Library Loan (ILL): Total: 36

Borrowed: 18

Loaned Out: 18

Librarian Notes: The Friends will be sponsoring the NH State Parks pass and the Squam Lake Science Center pass again for 2026. She had the information for the 2026 Mt. Washington pass. This library membership pass has increased in price from last year. The Trustees discussed and decided to purchase the Mt. Washington Pass for 2026. Program runs while the Mt. Washington State park is open (approx. mid-May to Mid-October). Cog railway portion of the pass is only for the month of June, Monday- Friday.

Old Business: Discussion regarding HB273 and how best to put policy in place and comply with the new law. Rebekka shared her knowledge of how other public libraries are handling setting policy. Digitizing collection vs. manual systems was discussed. Trustees reviewed the student form that is filled out and signed by parents allowing the student to borrow books from the library via JDBS classroom visits. Revised fields and modifications are to be made to the form and a blurb regarding HB273 at the bottom. Revision to be presented as a draft at the April meeting. A suggestion was made to include this student Library form in with the packet of forms for parents to sign/update each Sept at the beginning of school year. Lynn mentioned that she maintains family library cards that list names of family members under the family library card number. The initial draft for the library policy regarding HB273 will be done by Lynn and presented at April's meeting.

New Business: Trustees welcomed the newly elected trustee, Rebekka Mateyk. Frank to set up a town library email for the library Secretary to use instead of a personal email.

Treasurer provided the 2026 budget amounts for summer programs and Books/ materials.

Question was asked if Library charged people to Fax. Answer was no, as there is no real expense, and we cannot send FAX to any out of state phone number other than toll free or local NH. Our phone account with Consolidated does not include long-distance calls. Lynn stated that this can be a problem with folks who have cell numbers from other states who have moved to Hill that she might need to contact.

Trustees decided to get at least one membership of the NH Library Trustees Association.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 4/21/26 at 2:00

Moved to adjourn: Debbie 2nd: Rebekka Time: 4:15