

Griffin Free Public Library
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Board of Trustees Meeting
July 27, 2026 at 7:00PM
Strategic Planning Session

Present: Nancy Mayland, Chairman; Liz Michaud, Secretary; Marilyn Cavanaugh, Alternate Trustee; Dan Szczesny, Library Director; Jackie Wood, Alternate Trustee;

Absent: Cindy Berling, Treasurer; Andrea Galasso, Alternate Trustee;

Also Present: Hope Garner; Jess Traynor; Jason Lacombe from SMP; Sam from SMP; Charlie Fisher; Michelle Dressler

Nancy Mayland called the meeting to order at 7:02

Opportunity for the Public to speak:

- NA

Old Business:

- SMP presented a revised floor plan for the expansion and we need to discuss the budget
- No change to the current outside of the old library, connected to a separate building, and parking along the back.
- Reaches to the big tree in the back yard
- 26 parking spaces
- Renovate old building for meeting space, museum, and storage
- Raise the floor of the circulation room to create one large meeting space
- Turn the children's room into a meeting room with storage
- Total 7369sq ft including the 2,000 existing sq ft
- Original expansion was 9,983 square ft
- Chopped off over 2,000 feet with the new design
- To keep the budget down we will have two boiler rooms, one for each building
- This design allows for expansion on the back in the future.
- \$4.9 million for this design, includes renovation money for the old building. (half a million for the renov), all in – total budget sheet
- Same budget for all the other things, furniture, shelves, etc.
- Discussion about line of site to the museum room and staffing.
- We did a walk around the yard to get a visual on where the expansion would sit on the property.
- Meeting 8/10 6:30 – Jason and Sam to show an exterior design and updated plans - then can create the 3d for the duck race

- Then SMP will give the design to Barry for a budget
- 9/17 tentative date for Public Information Meeting
- 10/12 will be budget review
- 10/22 go public with the Barry budget

New Business:

- na

Any other business:

- Received a check from Ann Dollard towards the Book Sale.
- Motion to accept \$100 donation to the book sale from Ann Dollard, made by Liz Michaud/ Nancy Mayland 2nd All in favor.
- Book Sale – total for the sale 12,086.75 – 8 coupons from friend - \$87.60 total donations

Action items

- NA
- Board needs to send the signed contract to Jason

Next meeting will be Aug 3rd at 7:00pm with the Board of Selectman

Then Aug 10th Monthly Trustee Meeting

Motion to adjourn made by Liz Michaud/ Marilyn Cavanaugh 2nd. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm

Liz Michaud, Secretary