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**NORTHBOROUGH FREE LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 10, 2023**

PRESENT: Michelle Rehill (Chair), Mitch Cohen, Jocelyn McElhiney, Richard Tucker, Beth Tsamis, Patricia Fontes, Brittany Burns, Jim Hogan

NOT PRESENT: Mary Crowley

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Bruneau (Library Director)

CALL TO ORDER, OPENING REMARKS & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: This was an in-person meeting, the Board's first since 2020. Thus, reading the Governor's advisory was not necessary. Chair thanked the "Open House" committee for organizing tonight's event. Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Motion was made by P. Fontes, seconded by M. Cohen. A vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROPRIATIONS REPORT: Line item # 5449 (Building Maintenance), which is over @ 134% was questioned. Director Bruneau noted that this was due to extensive repairs to the boiler. The repairs should be a permanent fix and we will be able to cover it.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT: The report stands as submitted with the following comments. All the new carpeting will be in the form of carpet squares. This will enable us to replace individual squares as needed. In response to questions, Director Bruneau provided more details on the reclassification project and noted that the new scheme will be the "Bookstore Model". It was suggested that the weeding project might elicit some concerns from patrons. If this occurs, there may be a roll for Trustees to assist in explaining the process to patrons.

The next meeting of the Board will be on February 14, 2023 @ 7 PM. It will be conducted remotely via Zoom.

There being no New Business and no further business before the Board, Chair asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by R. Tucker, seconded by J. McElhiney. A vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned @ 7:28 PM.

DOCUMENTS REFERENCED DURING THIS MEETING OF JANUARY 10, 2023

1. Agenda for the meeting of January 10, 2023
2. Minutes of the meeting of December 13, 2023
3. Library Director's Report for January 2023
4. Appropriations Report for January 2023

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Hogan, Board Secretary