

**New Marlborough Library Trustees Meeting**

May 17, 2022

9:00 AM

Present: Library Director Deb O'Brien, Trustees Sally Turner, Carrie Liba, Robin Tost

The Easter Drive-by, featuring the Bunny in his splendid new suit, was a huge success. 45-50 families participated, and the Easter baskets were all handed out.

The budget has been passed.

Lee Audio has installed the new motion detectors in the Library, but apparently they are not functioning. The company has been so advised. The outside motion detectors will be installed after the pressure washing and painting of the exterior walls and trim of the library has been completed.

The summer reading programs are being planned, but there is still uncertainty about Covid and indoor gatherings.

There is still no word from the playgroups who want to use the library. We are considering having our own playgroup but will need a volunteer to run it. Sally Turner may possibly do it if her work schedule permits.

David Goewey has received his check, but the painting has not yet begun. It should be done before the Memorial Day gathering.

The sidewalk needs repair and leveling. It's a small job. Deb will approach Sam Mercier.

Kevin O'Brien will prepare the left-over posts from the snow fence by Memorial Day. He will cover the short posts that flank the approach to the Library with white plastic with solar lights on top. These will be removable when the season for snow fencing arrives.

There was a discussion of fuel rates. The Library has been given a set rate for fuel oil, up to a certain number of gallons. After that, we will pay the market rate.

Deb feels that this will probably be OK as we obviously use much less oil in the warmer months.

There will be a meeting of the Friends of the Library on June 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss Burritt Day. The Cultural Council has objected to the size of the tent that we have traditionally used for the book sale. As the books have to be put out on the Green the night before Burritt Day, and we cannot predict the weather, we are questioning whether we can participate. The Friends will discuss our doing the bake sale on Burritt Day and then having our own sale of books at a different time.

Deb will get outside plants for the Memorial Day festivities.

There is still no word about the income from the Trusts. Sally will again try to figure it out with the bank.

At 1:00 on July 23, Jyoti Tottham will visit the Library to discuss her book. Barbara Newman has written a Young Adult book and would like to do a reading in the Library. That will be arranged.

The first Science Saturday with Jane Burke will be on May 21.

The next meeting will be held on June 14 at 9:00 AM

Respectfully submitted,  
Robin Tost