

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORTH KINGSTOWN FREE LIBRARY
MINUTES**

January 12, 2015

PRESENT WERE: Richard Moore, Marie Pamental, Lori Vernon, Robyn Levine, Tom Sgouros, Paul Sollitto and Cyndi Desrochers. **Absent:** Joan Ehrhardt.

Call to Order- The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Kingstown Free Library held on Monday, January 12, 2015, in the Conference Room was called to order by chair Richard Moore at 7:30 p.m.

1. Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6 (c) Notice of this meeting has been posted on the Secretary of State's website.
2. **Minutes of the December 8, 2014 meeting** - VOTED to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2014 meeting as presented on a motion by Robyn Levine, seconded by Richard Moore.
3. **Director's Report**—The Director reported on events and activities since the December meeting, including the FY15 and FY16 budgets, building and grounds and sick time usage.
4. **Guest** - Maggie Browne, Fiction Coordinator/Readers' Advisor was unable to attend the meeting and will come at a later date.

5. Old Business:

FY15 Budget— We continue to be on track with the FY15 budget, having spent 44% of the budget in the first 22 weeks (50%) of the fiscal year. We still have the bulk of our heating season ahead of us.

FY16 Budget preparation - Work has begun on the FY16 budget. Since this is a new contract year for 1033, figures for COLAs are not yet available; an estimated 3 % increase was used for planning purposes. A 6% increase in health care, dental, etc. was recommended by the Town Manager. The collection line was almost level funded at \$140,000. The bottom line is a 2% total budget increase and a 3.17% tax appropriation increase. I will be meeting with the Town Manager soon to discuss our budget in more detail.

6. New Business: None

7. Other:

Since union negotiations will be starting soon, the Board discussed possible suggestions for changes to the contract to recommend to the Town Manager.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. on a motion by Paul Sollitto, seconded by Lori Vernon.

Respectfully submitted - Cyndi Desrochers