

Cromwell Library Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.
Arch Room
Record of Votes and Minutes

Present: Chairman Marie Roberto, Kathy Newton, Margaret Colella, Martha Rennie

Absent: Diane Mongold, Al Dickerson, Barbara Grotheer,

Also Present: Library Director Kara Canney, Gerald Seagrave

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roberto at 7:35 p.m.
2. **Approve/Amend Agenda:** The September 9, 2019 agenda was approved. Martha Rennie made a motion to approve the agenda; Seconded by Margaret Colella. In favor: Chairman Roberto, Kathy Newton, Margaret Colella, and Martha Rennie. *Motion passed.*
3. **Approval of Minutes of July 8, 2019:** Margaret Colella made a motion to approve the minutes; Seconded by Kathy Newton. In Favor: Margaret Colella, Marie Roberto, Kathy Newton. Abstain: Martha Rennie *Motion Passed.*
4. **Citizen's Comments:** Gerald Seagrave updated the commission on the search for a new State Librarian.
5. **Town Council Liaison Comments:** The Mayor passed his thanks through Chairman Roberto to the Library Commission for efforts in seeing the renovation and library expansion fulfilled. Martha Rennie noted that she appreciated the comments from the Mayor. He also let the Chairman know that the dedication will take place when the library director and Town Manager deem the space ready.
6. **Reports:**
 - a) **Chairman's Report:** Marie Roberto found 2008 goals from Eileen Geer Branciforte for the library that included succession planning.
 - b) **Director's Report:** New hire, construction update, and programming and statistics. Kathy Newton made a motion to accept the Director's report and statistics; Seconded by Martha Rennie. In favor: Chairman Roberto, Kathy Newton, Margaret Colella, and Martha Rennie. *Motion passed.*
 - c) **Finance Report:** Director Canney reported what was spent and encumbered thus far in the fiscal year. Margaret Colella made a motion to approve the Director's Finance

Report. Seconded by Martha Rennie. In favor: Chairman Roberto, Kathy Newton, Margaret Colella, and Martha Rennie *Motion passed.*

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business: None

9. Other: The group will tour the new space once the meeting adjourns.

10. Next regular meeting date: October 21, 2019

11. Adjournment: Margaret Colella made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Kathy Newton. In favor: Chairman Roberto, Kathy Newton, Margaret Colella, and Martha Rennie *Motion passed.* Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kara Canney', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kara Canney

Library Director