


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Meeting Minutes

Cromwell Library Commission  
Monday November 8, 2021, 6:30 P.M.  
Town Hall Dining Room

**Present:** Chairwoman Margaret Colella, Barbara Grotheer, Kathy Newton, Martha Rennie, Marie Roberto, Karen Spotts

**Absent:** none

**Also Present:** Library Director Kara Canney, Gerald Seagrave

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Margaret Colella at 6:34

**2. Approve/Amend the Agenda**

A motion was made by Marie Roberto to approve agenda as prepared; seconded by Kathy Newton. The motion was approved unanimously.

**3. Approval of the minutes of October 18, 2021**

A motion was made by Marie Roberto to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Barbara Grotheer. In favor: Marie Roberto, Margaret Colella, Barbara Grotheer, Kathy Newton, Martha Rennie. Abstained: Karen Spotts. The motion was approved.

**4. Town Council Liason Comments**

There were none.

**5. Citizens Comments**

Gerald Seagrave reported that heat and hot water have been restored to the State Library.

**6. Reports**

**Chairman's Report**

Margaret Colella reported that Al Dickerson has resigned from the Cromwell Library Commission.

**Library Director's Report**

The library currently has a 19.5-hour part time position open. The staff member is leaving for a full-time position, but will be staying on as a substitute for future needs.

Memo was sent to the Town Manager on 11/3/2021 requesting the elimination of library late fees.

The green light was given to start Saturday hours January 8, 2022. Additional funds for Sunday hours will be requested in the 2023 fiscal year budget.

The staff has been inundated with questions about programming for our youngest patrons (0-2). We have had continual conversations with the Health Department. The thought is currently that we *should* be able to offer programs for this age group as more children are vaccinated and create a stronger "herd".

Director and staff are seeking funds to support bringing "Family Place" to the Cromwell Library.

The State Library Report has been completed and sent to the State.

A motion was made by Martha Rennie and seconded by Barbara Grotheer to accept the Library Directors report. Motion accepted unanimously.

### **Finance Report**

A motion was made by Martha Rennie; seconded by Kathy Newton to accept the Finance Report. Motion accepted unanimously.

### **7. Old Business**

There is no estimate yet from the company dealing with roof condensation issue.

### **8. New Business**

There was none

### **9. Other**

None

### **10. Next Meeting date : Monday December 13, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.**

### **11. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Kathy Newton and seconded by Barbara Grotheer to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

*Karen A. Spotts*

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