Newbury Town Library Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting Date: March 12, 2024

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm. In attendance: Trustees: Dick Ravin, Dick Passeri, Beth Cennami, Terry Litterst, Library Director, Haley Hart, and Assistant Library Director, Dorothy Moynihan. Absent: Trustee Patti Olson.

The board moved, seconded and voted approval of the minutes, as amended, of the board's meetings on February 13, 2024 and February 21, 2024.

The board welcomed the new library director, Haley Hart, who has been in place for a little over a week. In the next weeks, Director Hart will be meeting with the library staff one on one. She will also schedule meetings with town hall officials. She has been —and will be—gleaning as much as possible from the assistant director before Ms. Moynihan goes on maternity leave at the end of March.

Ms. Moynihan presented her Assistant Director's report. The board and directors discussed building issues, with repairs solving problems with the alarm panel and copier. The assistant director informed the board that the temporary Youth Services Librarian, Corrie Owens Beauchnse is working out well. Ms. Hart and the board discussed what kind of temp hire makes sense once Ms. Moynihan is absent.

Mr. Passeri noted to the board and staff that the upcoming Triton District Budget is likely to present the town with budget challenges and possible cuts for other departments including the town library.

Finally, the board and staff discussed the need to replace departing trustees Cennami and Ravin, with several candidates coming to the fore.

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM

Respectfully,

Richard Ravin, Secretary