

Exeter Budget Recommendation Subcommittee

Library Budget Mtg.  
Exeter Town Library  
October 5, 2017

Meeting began at 10 am.

Members Present: Christine Soutter-Subcommittee Chair, Rob Ficara-Committee Member and Hope Godino-Library Director

Hope took the members on a tour of the facility explaining what changes will be made to the facility if the library is able to move forward with their renovation/expansion proposal. It was noted that the library has not been renovated since it was built in the 1980's and no longer serves the community like it should. The library has become a community gathering place that hosts book clubs, children's programs, teen programs, musical performances and a variety of meetings in addition to resource lending and research. Significant growth in the Children's program's and overall visitor usage is part of the driving force behind the request for renovation. The building also lacks insulation in certain areas and has some HVAC systems in need of replacement.

The group then discussed the library's budget which has been approved by the Library Trustees. The Library Board of Trustees voted to eliminate the separate line item for "Longevity Pay" which is now factored in to the appropriate staff salaries. No concerns were noted by the BRC members.

Meeting was adjourned at 11am.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine J. Soutter