



**Whipple Free Library**  
There's Always Another Chapter

## **Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees January 9, 2024**

**Present:** John Fladd, Jennifer Allocca, Jake Fields, Marti Wolf, Tanya Ricker (Library Director)

**Absent:** Dick Backus, Melissa Harvey, (Robin Winslow resigned effective 1/5/2024)

**Members of the Public:** Christa Snyder, Michael Wolf

Meeting called to order by Marti Wolf at 5:58 pm.

**Warrant Article:** Marti provided background information on a warrant article being submitted by the Select Board for a 3% COLA for all town employees. The Trustees have been invited to join in this new Warrant. This year New Boston voters will decide whether all town staff will receive a Cost Of Living increase and separate from their decision regarding the town's Operating Budget (which includes salaries and merit increases for each Town department and the Library).

If the Library Trustees vote to be included in the 3% COLA warrant article, Jennifer (Finance Director) will calculate the Library's 3% COLA plus all related benefits costs. This amount would be added to the new 3% COLA Warrant Article.

Jennifer made a motion to include all Whipple Free Library employees in the 3% COLA warrant article. John seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jennifer noted that items for 2023 are still being posted and a final 2023 report will be issued when all postings are completed.

**Next Meeting:** Jennifer suggested rescheduling the remainder of this meeting due to inclement weather. Those present agreed on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm. Dick and Melissa will be contacted to see if they are available.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Jennifer Allocca at 6:08 pm. This motion was seconded by Jake Fields. All voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marti Wolf, Board Chair