



**SWAMPSCOTT**  
— PUBLIC LIBRARY —

## **BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

### **MINUTES**

**JULY 16, 2019**

Attending: Ellen Winkler, Tript Sembhi, John Tripp, Susan Conner, Alyce Deveau, Laura Spathanas, Don Hause, Polly Titcomb, Naomi Dreeben, Ann Nechtem, Israella Abrams, Janina Majeran

The Board of Trustees and the Select Board held a joint meeting to discuss the current offerings of the library, future offerings and a look to the future in general.

Peter Spellios, chair of the Board of Select, commented on the success of the library and his hopes for the future of the library. He discussed that he had met with Alyce at the “Ideas” Day in December and that a local resident had sent numerous ideas to enhance the library’s offerings, for example, a coffee cart, utilizing the area outside of the Children’s room, utilizing the patio.

Alyce talked about what the library does now in its role as a library and a community center. She discussed the numerous groups that meet, the outreach to social agencies, the volunteers who come to the library and the enhancements that we have made.

Ellen Winkler complimented the staff of the library and its service to patrons. She then began a discussion along with John Tripp about an RFQ for a “library programmer”. This person would come and help us see the big picture in the future of the library and to make better use of the current space.

The staff offered their opinions on programming, needs offerings and the value of one-to-one customer service.

The Select Board discussed our use of volunteers, our outreach to other agencies and departments in town and the true value of the library.

The Select Board took a tour of the library which included the new second floor rest room that had just been completed that day.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyce Deveau