

## **MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

September 27, 2021

Town Hall, 139 Main Street, Rowley, MA

7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairwoman Janet Peabody; Clerk Karen Ziemplak; Liz Cullen; Jeff Bard; Kathleen Petrowicz

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Vice Chairman T. Glenn Blakney; Elizabeth Enos; Melinda Patrick

**7:00 p.m. JOINT MEETING WITH THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN** to appoint Jody Fleit to vacant Library Board seat

Board of Selectmen Chairman Cliff Pierce said, "The Board of Selectmen and Board of Library Trustees are meeting jointly in accordance with G.L. c. 41 §11 to appoint Jody Fleit to the vacant seat on the Library Board."

Board of Selectmen Chairman Pierce called for a motion to call the Joint Meeting with the Board of Library Trustees to order. Deana Ziev so moved, Bob Snow second, all in favor – roll call vote: Cliff Pierce – aye; Deana Ziev – aye; Bob Snow – aye; Dave Petersen – aye; Joe Perry – aye.

Board of Library Trustees Chairwoman Janet Peabody called for a motion to call the Joint Meeting with the Board of Selectmen to order. Liz Cullen so moved, Jeff Bard second, all in favor – roll call vote: Liz Cullen – aye; Jeff Bard – aye; Kathleen Petrowicz – aye; Karen Ziemplak – aye; Janet Peabody – aye. T. Glenn Blakney – ABSENT; Elizabeth Enos – ABSENT; Melinda Patrick – ABSENT

Joint meeting opened at 7:02 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Pierce asked Jody Fleit to introduce herself and explain why she is interested in serving on the Library Board.

Fleit thanked the Boards for their time. She said she is a nurse by training and is a retired health care executive. She said she retired in 2018 and has lived on Central Street for 18 years. She said since her retirement she has gotten to know the library, she loves it, and would love to give back. She said she has a wealth of experience which may or may not be helpful, but she would like to give it a shot.

Petersen and Pierce welcomed Fleit. There were no questions from either board.

Pierce explained to Fleit that her appointment runs until the next Annual Election, which is May 10, 2022, and if she wishes to continue on the Board that she will need to run for office.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Pierce called for a motion to appoint Jody Fleit to the Board of Library Trustees. Bob Snow so moved, Deana Ziev second, all in favor – roll call vote: Cliff Pierce – aye; Deana Ziev – aye; Bob Snow – aye; Dave Petersen – aye; Joe Perry – aye.

Board of Library Trustees Chairwoman Peabody called for a motion to appoint Jody Fleit to the Board of Library Trustees. Jeff Bard so moved, Liz Cullen second, all in favor – roll call vote: Liz Cullen – aye; Jeff Bard – aye; Kathleen Petrowicz– aye; Karen Ziemplak – aye; Janet Peabody – aye. T. Glenn Blakney – ABSENT; Elizabeth Enos – ABSENT; Melinda Patrick - ABSENT

Board of Selectmen Chairman Pierce called for a motion to close the Joint Meeting with the Board of Library Trustees. Bob Snow so moved, Deana Ziev second, all in favor – roll call vote: Cliff Pierce – aye; Deana Ziev – aye; Bob Snow – aye; Dave Petersen – aye; Joe Perry – aye.

Board of Library Trustees Chairwoman Janet Peabody called for a motion to close the Joint Meeting with the Board of Selectmen. Liz Cullen so moved, Jeff Bard second, all in favor – roll call vote: Liz Cullen – aye; Jeff Bard – aye; Kathleen Petrowicz– aye; Karen Ziemplak – aye; Janet Peabody – aye. T. Glenn Blakney – ABSENT; Elizabeth Enos – ABSENT; Melinda Patrick – ABSENT

Joint meeting closed at 7:06 p.m.

### **ADJOURN**

Board of Library Trustees Chairwoman Janet Peabody called for a motion to adjourn the Board of Library Trustees meeting. Liz Cullen so moved, Jeff Bard second, all in favor – roll call vote: Liz Cullen – aye; Jeff Bard – aye; Kathleen Petrowicz– aye; Karen Ziemplak – aye; Janet Peabody – aye. T. Glenn Blakney – ABSENT; Elizabeth Enos – ABSENT; Melinda Patrick – ABSENT

Library Trustees meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Lydon  
Assistant Town Administrator

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Meeting memo regarding 7:00 p.m. Joint Meeting with the Board of Library Trustees to appoint Jody Fleit to vacant Library Board seat
2. Vacancy Notice for Library Board seat
3. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41 Section 11
4. Cover letter from Jody Fleit
5. Resume from Jody Fleit