



OBSERVER REPORT

ABBOT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES - October 3, 2022 in person at the Interim Library (Eveleth School) 3 Brook Road

LWVM Observer: Brigitte Lagoutte

Members in attendance: Gary Amberik (Chair), David Ross, John Williams, Deb Payson, Jen Jewell, Kim Grad (Library Director).

1. The Minutes of the September 12 meeting were approved.
2. Director's Report:
 - The reopening of the Library will occur on Monday October 17. All virtual services such as databases, Libby, and Hoopla will still be available with a library card.
 - There will be an official reopening event on Wednesday November 2. The Friends of the Library will provide doughnuts and cider.
 - The interim Library will have a space for reference and technical support, fiction and nonfiction collections, spaces for teens and children, quiet reading areas and a room for public programs. Programs will resume in November.
 - The outdoor and indoor signage has been ordered. Policy review will be done at a later time.
 - Kim Grad thanked all the people helping with the moving.
 - There will be a lunch party next week and among the people invited will be The Friends of the Library, the Foundation, the staff, the Trustees, and the Driftwood Garden Club.
3. Building Renovation Committee Update:
 - All the invoices for the renovations and the work done at Eveleth have been reviewed and approved. The electrical wiring has been expanded, the bathrooms renovated, and new benches added. The current heating system at Eveleth is fine.
 - Plants to decorate the interim library have been donated.
4. Friends of the Library updates: Postcards have been sent as part of a membership drive, and people are encouraged to join the Friends of the Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.
Next meeting will take place on November 7, 2022.