

Pawlet Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 2, 2026 ,6pm Pawlet Public Library, 141 School St, Pawlet, Vt. 05761

Trustees Attending: Cori Rail, Amy Miller, Phoebe McChesney, Lauren Herbert, Susan LaPorte by Phone

Audience: None Filmed by PEG TV

Call to Order by Cori 6:03pm

Operating Norms Read by Cori

Deletion of #14 on the agenda. Motion by Lauren, Second by Phoebe. Passed

Public Comment: None

Approve May 5, 2026 Meeting Minutes. Motion by Lauren, Second by Amy. Passed

Board Retreat discussion. Location: Phoebe's house or Lauren's house . June 29th, 4 hour meeting 10-2 Motion by Amy. Second by Sue. Passed

Treasurer's report by Lauren. Motion to Approve warrant by Amy. Second by Phoebe. Passed. Warrant Signed. Susan will ask Heidi to set up a display using the Robotics T shirt and hat.

Quarterly Report Budget Report will be presented at the July Meeting.

We will discuss Staff salary, benefits. C.O.L.A., and evaluations at the retreat.

Susan read the Library Report. Susan will ask Helen to contact Vt Humanities and buy copies of this year's book. Fliers will be going up for Ann Marie's Summer Program.

Cori is working on the library E mail accounts.

Lauren updated us on the MERP Grant. The town needs \$20,000 to have enough wells to heat the Matt Waite Room with Geothermal heat. We will look into talking to a few donors to fundraise.

Phoebe and Rhonda are meeting about the ALA Grant

Lauren ordered shirts and bags. We authorized her to purchase 30 book bags for the book sale.

Amy updated us about the Book Sale. She has been coordinating with Janine and Jed. Wednesday-Sunday contract with the School . Amy will call Stewarts re: ice cream. Amy will coordinate with Heidi to make a flier. Phoebe will coordinate with the school about the pick up of unsold books. Bay State will pick them up Sunday or Monday.

Michelle Butler has a large enclosed truck available to transport books from Jed's to the school similar to Chris Ross' truck who has been doing the transporting for the past few years. Berma Shave signs go up on the 6th of July. Wednesday: Pizza and Soda- Indulge Pizza(?), Thursday Coffe, Donuts, Water- St Gaudens group. , Saturday- Crew- Breakfast, Lunch- coldcuts, sandwich fixings, Sunday Breakfast and Stewarts icecream at 2pm. Amy will ask Cana about heading the Bake Sale. Susan will make a list of who might want to donate baked goods.

Community Garden is at the Pawlet Fire House.

Amy: I move that the board finds that premature general public knowledge regarding the discussion of a personnel matter would clearly place the individual or public body involved at a substantial disadvantage. Second by Lauren. Passed.

Amy: I move that the board enter executive session pursuant to VSA 313a3 for the appointment, employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee to discuss library director position.

Motion to enter into Executive Session by Amy. Second by Lauren. Passed. Entered into executive session at 7:58pm

Motion to leave Executive session Motion by Amy. Second by Phoebe. Passed . Susan left the meeting during Executive session.

Out of Executive Session at 8:24pm

Back into Open Meeting at 8:25pm

Next Steps: Amy: Motion to interview two of the individuals of the screened applicants. Second by Phoebe. Passed
Lauren left the meeting.

Report back to the Selectboard: Painting parts of the interior of the Library, Summer program, Visiting Artist Series.

Reflection of Operating Norms: Read by Cori. Consensus is that we are doing well.

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: July 14, 2026

Motion to Adjourn by Phoebe. Second by Amy. Passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:29pm

Next regular Meeting: July 14, 2026 6pm at the Library

Respectfully Submitted by Susan LaPorte, Secretary.

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