

Johnson Public Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes, May 13th, 2026

Temporary Library Space in the Masonic Temple

Present: Aurora River, Library Director. Board Members: Kelly Vandorn, Suzanne Dodge, Eric Schulz, Trista Tallman, Jasmine Yuris

1. **Call to Order:** Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.
2. **Adjustments or Additions to the Agenda:** An Executive Session was added to the end of posted agenda.
3. **Review and Approve minutes** from April 7th, 2026 meeting. Jasmine moved to accept, Suzanne seconded, all in favor.
4. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - a. Suzanne reported donations totaling approximately \$2,958 in the last couple of months.
5. **Librarian's report – Aurora**
 - a. Aurora emailed a librarian's report to board members prior to meeting for review. This was reviewed and discussed.
 - b. There was discussion surrounding coverage of Saturday shifts while the position is posted. The board discussed streamlining the hiring process once the listing is closed.
 - i. There was discussion about high school volunteers in the future. Aurora mentioned that there will be volunteers from Upward Bound for the summer.
 - c. There is a Touch-a-Truck event in the works in combination with the Rec program. This is being tentatively scheduled for 06/22.
6. **Progress Report of New Library – Eric**
 - a. There was a meeting on Monday, May 11th with members of the selectboard and the builder.
 - b. Prior to the meeting Adrienne Parker sent a report/project plan to the trustees for review.

- c. Kelly met with Paul for selection of the colors for the exterior of the addition. A color has been selected.
- d. Eric asked if the fill that is in the pit from the Holmes Meadow project is no longer usable. Can the dirt/soil from the ditching project be used as fill at the library?

7. Grant Updates - Kelly

- a. Jeanne and Kelly heard back about two grants that were applied for (around \$15,000 each) - Johnson Public Library was not selected for either of these.
- b. Kelly received information about a \$5,000 landscaping grant – this grant will not be pursued at this time. The timeline for this grant will not work with the timeline of landscaping.
- c. No news on the T-Mobil grant as of 05/13.

8. Fundraising Status Report – Jasmine

- a. The funds from Fidelity have been received.
- b. Samples of leaves for the tree fundraiser have been received. Jasmine will email the board to get the thumbs up to place the full order for this project.

9. New Library Employee Job Posting

- a. Aurora has received two resumes as of 05/13. The posting will remain open until 05/22.

10. Selectboard Update – Moved to Executive Session

- a. Bond/Line of Credit

11. Interlibrary Loan Agreement

- a. The board discussed the phrasing/wording within the agreement. Aurora is updating the agreement and the vote will occur in June.
 - i. Jasmine made a motion to add a space between Johnson and Public at the start of the document.
 - ii. Jasmine made a motion to change the fee from \$35 to \$20 for the initial occurrence and add “Subject to \$35 fee for repeat occurrences; which is the cost Johnson Public Library incurs.”

12. Unfinished Business

- a. Jasmine presented a slide deck and the JPL video at the Location! Location! Location: Determining Site Suitability for a Library Relocation, Expansion, or New

Construction Project Webinar.

13. Executive Session

- a. Entered at 6:45pm
- b. Left at 7:13pm

14. **Adjourn** 7:13 pm, all in favor.