

**NORTHBOROUGH FREE LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 13, 2020**

PRESENT: Michelle Rehill (Chair), Jocelyn McElhiney, Mitch Cohen, Joan Scott, Charles Recchia, Neeta Karanjkar, Richard Tucker, James Hogan

ALSO PRESENT: Deb Hersh (Zoom host), Bernie Lynch (Recruitment consultant), Katrina Ireland

DUE TO THE ONGOING COVID-19 VIRUS PANDEMIC, THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED REMOTELY VIA ZOOM

CALL TO MEETING & OPENING REMARKS: Chair Rehill convened the meeting at 5:30 PM. She read the standard advisory from Gov. Baker regarding public meetings during the pandemic. She then conducted a **ROLL CALL** attendance of Board members present. The Chair stated that the purpose of this scheduled October meeting of the Board was to interview the three candidates for the Library Director position. The interviews would be facilitated by the Town's Recruitment Consultant, Bernie Lynch. Prior to the meeting Bernie had emailed a list of questions to each Board member. These questions will be posed to each candidate. Board members were free to ask any additional questions of the candidates. Each interview was to last approximately one hour.

At the conclusion of the interviews the Board will be asked either to arrive at a decision or take more time to reflect on the interviews and meet again to make the decision.

The three candidates were;

Jennifer Bruneau, Director of the Boylston, MA Public Library.

Jennifer Inglis, Director of the Lynnfield, MA Public Library

Sondra Murphy, Former Director of the Leominster, MA Public Library

Each candidate was introduced to the Board by the Chair and each began with an opening statement. Bernie then led each candidate through the prepared questions. Board members also questioned each candidate. The interviews were conducted via ZOOM and were recorded. The public can access and view the interviews in their entirety @ https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRdBrw3HeEAMB_KFKasrgXA.

After the interviews the consensus among the Board members was to take a few days to review notes, reflect back upon the interviews and meet again to arrive at the final decision. Chair Rehill offered to arrange that meeting for October 19, 2020 @ 5 PM. She then asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion was moved by Mitch Cohen and seconded by Richard Tucker. A **ROLL CALL** vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned @ 9:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James Hogan, Secretary