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Morris Public Library Board of Directors Emergency Meeting
November 26, 2019

Nancy Lundquist called the meeting to order at 7:25pm.

Present: Nancy Lundquist, Sally Irwin, Jennifer Whittlesey, Maureen Fitzpatrick, Bev Huntley and Elena Granoth, Library Director

Absent: Ginny Williamson

Emergency Meeting called to address concerns that the First Selectman brought to the Library Directors attention regarding noise in the Library, and to develop a plan for resolving this and any future concerns.

The Board of Directors discussed the following:

The library is transforming. The modern public library is a social hub in the community, where people come to read, get material and information, attend a program, do homework, research or simply because the library is the only place where they get interaction with people.

The library policy is to be welcoming and friendly to every patron. We will endeavor to keep the noise at a reasonable level. Talking and interacting with patrons continues to be an essential part of the staff's job.

Sally and Nancy will meet with the First Selectman and explain the Board's position. Interaction with the patrons is an essential part of the modern library. We wish to assure him that we realize we are sharing the space with other departments, and will work to develop a mutually agreeable plan to keep the noise to an acceptable level.

Nancy adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beverly Huntley
Secretary