

**EAST HADDAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**DECEDMBER 18, 2017**

**EAST HADDAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BRANCH**

TRUSTEES PRESENT; Dawn Barlow, William Barney, John Bielot (arrived at 7:05)

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Gilroy, Director

1. Called to order at 6:40
2. M. Gilroy present the proposed 2018-19 Operating Budget for the Library System
  - A. He pointed out that the salary line had not been adjusted as this will be determined by the Selectman.
  - B. He stated that the overall budget proposal is 1.1% less than the previous year.
  - C. He reviewed the various line items in the budget, explaining the changes, if any.
  - D. He explained that there was in significant increase in the *DUES AND FEES*, and that increased the *HEAT* to reflect actual usage.
  - E. *TECH SERVICES*, which includes *LION*, is in the Town's Shared Services account and is negotiated separately
  - F. The Committee, after discussion, voted on a motion by W. Barney, seconded by J. Bielot, 3-0, to include in the *CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN*, a 2021-22 place holder of \$550,000 to bring both Library branches into ADA compliance.
  - G. The Committee, after discussion, voted on a motion by W. Barney, seconded by D. Barlow, 3-0, to include in the *CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN*, a 2025-26 place holder of \$5,000,000 to plan and construct a new library building.
3. Motion by W, Barney, seconded by D. Barlow, the Committee voted 3-0 to approve the proposed 2018-19 budget for forwarding to the Town.
4. Motion by W. Barney, seconded by D. Barlow, the Committee voted 3-0 to accept a NEH grant in the amount of \$4,710. M. Gilroy will take the needed steps to acquire the monies to be used for storage shelving.
5. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35