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Vernon Free Library Board of Trustee & Selectboard
October 13, 2026 10 AM
Joint Special Meeting Agenda

LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Cassie Sailsman, Chair
Julie Nevins, Vice-Chair
Nikki Deyo, Secretary
Erin Harris, Member

STAFF:

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Brandon Bucossi, Chair
Sandra Harris, Vice-Chair
Jean Carr, Clerk
Shelli Harvey, Member

GUESTS:
Gail Zachariah
Danielle Walker
Shelli Banford
Heidi Johnson-Clement
Kathy Walker
Bronna Zlochiver (via Zoom)

LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Kristin Bratton, Clerk

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Jim Pinkerton, Member

SPECIAL MEETING:
Cassie Sailsman called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

OPEN MEETING—PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Heidi John-Clement made a comment
Bronna Zlochiver made a comment

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Julie Nevins moved to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee regarding Personnel Relations with the Selectboard. 1 V.S.A. 313 (3)(a)(3). Erin Harris seconded with. Carried 4-0.

The Trustees and Selectboard entered into executive session at 10:22 AM.

The Selectboard left the executive session at 12:01 PM.

Cassie Sailsman left executive session at 12:03 PM.

The Trustees left executive session at 12:08 PM. No decisions were made during the Executive Session.

Erin Harris moved to enter into executive session with the Library Director to discuss the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee. 1 V.S.A. 313 (3)(a)(3). Nikki Deyo seconded with. Carried 3-0.

The Trustees entered executive session at 12:08 PM.

Gail Zachariah and Cassie Sailsman arrived at 12:10 PM.

Gail Zachariah and Cassie Sailsman left executive session at 12:16 PM.

Cassie Sailsman returned to executive session at 12:23 PM.

Trustees left executive session at 12:24 PM. No decisions were made during the Executive Session.

Selectboard members returned to the meeting at 12:25 PM.

Cassie Sailsman moved to terminate the Library Director effective immediately. Julie Nevins seconded. Carried 4-0

Julie Nevins moved to temporarily close the library during all regular library hours including all programs until further notice. Erin Harris seconded. Carried 4-0

Erin Harris left the meeting at 12:30 PM.

Sandy Harris moved to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee. 1 V.S.A. 313 (3)(a)(3). Brandon Bucossi seconded with. Carried 4-0.

The Selectboard entered executive session at 12:30 PM.

Selectboard members left executive session at 12:35. No decisions were made.

Brandon Bucossi moved to enter into executive session with Library Staff to discuss the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee. 1 V.S.A. 313 (3)(a)(3). Sandy Harris seconded with. Carried 4-0.

The Selectboard entered executive session at 12:36 PM.

Danielle Walker arrived at 12:36 PM.

Selectboard members and Danielle Walker left executive session at 12:46 PM. No decisions were made.

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Julie Nevins moved to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee with the Selectboard. 1 V.S.A. 313 (3)(a)(3). Nikki Deyo seconded. Carried 3-0.

Trustees and Selectboard entered executive session at 12:49 PM.

Trustees and Selectboard left executive session at 1:02 PM. No decisions were made.

A motion was made by Julie Nevins to adjourn the meeting at 1:02 PM. Seconded by Nikki Deyo. Carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Deyo, Secretary