

**Keene Public Library**

**Building and Grounds Committee**

**Meeting held November 12, 2021 at 1:00 PM**

Members present: Library Director Marti Fiske, Assistant Director Susan Bloom, Paul Henkel, Carl Jacobs, Scott Martin, Kathleen Packard

Guests: Economic Development Director Med Kopczynski, Parking Operations Manager Chelsea North, Gail Zachariah and John Johnson

Minutes from our October meeting were approved.

**Project Review and Planning**

**Budget Planning**

**Maintenance:**

**Parking** – Med Kopczynski and Chelsea North discussed the trending changes in City parking. More use of parking kiosks and parking apps is planned. Smart meters are being discontinued because they are expensive and challenging for the public to use. Testing kiosks are planned on Main Street in front of City Hall and on the section of Winter Street from our Library driveway near the Thayer Oak to the insurance company. A kiosk will be placed on the Library lawn. A concrete pad will be poured to support the kiosk. The test will run through next spring. After that the meters may be removed and the kiosk would be the permanent way to pay for parking. Members of the B&G Committee did not object.

**Landscaping -**

**Old Business -**

**New Business** - A proposal has been made to relocate the Director's office and to use the present office for the Assistant Director. Members of the committee toured five meeting rooms, the area behind the circulation desk and the third floor office area. It is planned that this be discussed again at the January Buildings and Grounds Meeting and brought to the January Board meeting.

Next meeting: Friday January 14 at 1:00 PM

Paul Henkel, Chair  
November 13, 2021