Brooks Memorial Library Technology Committee

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 4:30 PM

Mezzanine Meeting Room

In attendance: Matt Wojcik, Leo Schiff, Chloe Liotta-Jones, John Woodword, Nikki Holland

- Call to Order
- Agenda (Changes or Additions)
- Public Comment
- [Minutes of 10/25/23](#)
- Update on any current technology projects/programs

1. **Internet:** The Department of Libraries is providing a non-compete grant to replace internal hardware and pay for contractors. Current services will not be available after June 2024. If there's $ left, we can save it for up to 10 years to use as needed (e.g., future hardware needs, monthly service costs).
   a. Next steps: Apply for grant (requires selectboard approval); Decide whether to move forward by connecting to town's network or procuring our own;
   b. Benefits: Higher service level for lower monthly costs; better connectivity internally and outside; opportunity to upgrade internal resources (e.g., ethernet).
   c. Opportunities for the tech committee to help: Any feedback re: local contractors welcomed

2. **Technology needs**
   a. Needs assessment: Action Item - Starr will follow up with staff re: [needs assessments](#). We have one. Not sure which department.
   b. Staff computers: Older staff computers are being replaced and can be used as public access computers.

3. **Community partners**
   a. Need to differentiate between Matt's position and opportunities for partners
      i. Ideas: open drop in (different than 1:1 appointments); classes; etc.

       ii.   Action item: Can we pilot a computer literacy course by spring? maybe graphic design? (perhaps an item to return to next meeting)

- New business

- Set next meeting date: January 31, 2024

- Adjourn