

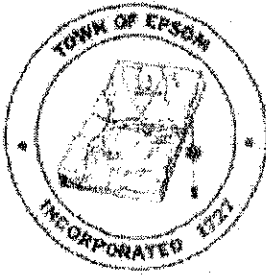
FINAL Trustee of Trusts Funds  
July 7, 2020

Attendees: Marylou Keane, Herb Johnson, Sarah Bennett

- I. Meeting called to order at 5:40 pm, Herb made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Sarah seconded. Approved unanimously.
- II. Herb made a motion to elect Marylou as Chair, Sarah seconded. Approved unanimously.
- III. Herb made a motion to elect Sarah as Secretary, Marylou seconded. Approved unanimously.
- IV. Deb Sullivan received a request to refund two donations made to the Meeting House Historic Trust Fund; one for \$500 made on May 16, 2019 and one for \$500 made on October 9, 2019 for a total of \$1,000.
  - A. Deb submitted this request to the Trustee of the Trust Fund because the funds were deposited into the Meeting House Historic Trust Fund.
  - B. Given the unprecedented nature of this request, Marylou consulted with the Director of the Charitable Trust Unit at the Department of Justice.

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  - C. Thomas J. Donovan, Director of the Charitable Trust Unit responded in writing with the following information:

"Based on the language creating the Trust Fund, it is a fully expendable fund created for ongoing maintenance and restoration activities of the old meetinghouse in Epsom. Accordingly, donations to the Trust Fund are completed gifts when made and are not refundable."
  - D. Sarah made a motion to that the Trustee write a response reflecting the above language from the Charitable Trust Unit and provide such response to the Board of Selectmen. Herb seconded, approved unanimously. See attached letter.
- V. There was a brief discussion about the state of the funds. Despite current economic times, the funds appear to be stable.
- VI. Marylou received a request for \$148,398.55 from the Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund. She will fill out the necessary forms for disbursement to the Town of Epsom.
- VII. Herb made a motion to adjourn at 6:21 pm, Sarah seconded. Approved.



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## EPSOM TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

July 8, 2020

Dear Board of Selectmen:

On June 15, 2020, Deb Sullivan emailed a request for a refund of two donations made to the Meeting House Historic Trust Fund; one for \$500 made on May 16, 2019 and one for \$500 made on October 9, 2019, for a total of \$1,000.

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In accordance with the statement above, the Trustees will not refund the donations as requested.

Respectfully,

Marylou Keane on behalf of the Trustees of Trust Funds  
Sarah Ladd Bennett  
Herb Johnson