

Pease Public Library Board of Trustees

Date: January 21, 2026 4:00pm-

I. Call to Order @

- a. Roll call-
- b. Accept the [minutes](#) from the December meeting-**YES**...Motion-*Jim*, 2nd-*Amy*, All in favor
- c. Public Comment (as allowed by Chair)
 - i. Ashley Saba (Plymouth Energy Commission Chair) and Phil Lamoreaux (Plymouth Selectman, Plymouth Energy Commission)
 - 1. Looking for opportunities to improve energy efficiencies in town
 - 2. PEC has looked at what buildings in town use the most energy and PPL one of the highest as they are all electric
 - 3. For the amount of need, looking at about 200 panels, which is too much for a roof
 - 4. Solar panel covered parking reduces snow, heat in summer, can orient as needed. 200 panels could cover about $\frac{1}{2}$ the parking lot
 - 5. Questions/Comments:
 - a. Liability re: snow sliding off? PEC would take our questions and concerns and put a proposal/plan together
 - b. What would we do with the panels on the roof? Could possible sell them
 - 6. PEC would look for grant funding...sometimes adding EV charging helps with grant funding
 - 7. Would take a year or
 - 8. Benefits of solar here at PPL-
 - a. Net Metering-When you produce more than you use, it goes out to the grid, but you get a credit
 - b. PPL uses minimal electricity at night
 - c. Town would fund, if approved, with short-term payback period and grant funding
 - d. Library now owns the whole parking lot, since recent lot line adjustment

- e. Energy is only getting more expensive. This would help offset that
- f. No micro-inverters needed for a stand-alone structure

9. Next Steps for PEC

- a. Get some conceptual drawings and a plan
- b. Get a budget together
- c. Come back to us with this information for voting

II. Reports

- a. Financial- (see [statements](#))-Jim
 - i. Holding steady. Expenses up, but so is income
- b. [Director's Report](#)-Becky
 - i. Circulation Statistics- 4707 total
 - ii. Programming – Winter events
 - iii. Maintenance –None
 - iv. Personnel –

III. Action Items: those needing motions and vote

- a. **Will the Trustees approve \$2202 in donations? YES...**Motion– *Joyce*, 2nd–*Amy*, All in favor
- b. **Will the Trustees approve purchasing of [Hoopla](#) for the library @ \$2,898/year? (See [First Year Projection Report](#)) YES...**Motion– *Jim*, 2nd–*Joyce*, All in favor
- c. **Will the Trustees approve the amendments to the [Registration Policy](#)? YES...**Motion– *Charlene*, 2nd–*Amy*, All in favor
- d. **Will the Trustees approve the [Strategic Plan 2026-2031](#)?** YES...Motion– *Jim*, 2nd–*Joyce*, All in favor
- e. **Will the Trustees approve moving forward with the PEC Solar Array Project investigation, based on above notes? YES...**Motion– *Joyce*, 2nd–*Jim*, All in favor

IV. **Next Meeting Date:** February 18, 2026 @ 4:00 pm.

V. **Adjournment @ 4:39**