

## Director's Report to the Library Commission November 18, 2024

### Budget News:

- Hoopla continues to be a very popular service and has been averaging around \$1,500 per month. This is paid for mainly by the Friends of the Library (volunteers who support the library through fundraising), but also supplemented by the Town book budget. If interest in e-materials continues at this rate, we will need to think about a budgetary solution for next year.

### Library News:

- We are back to being fully staffed! Lyndsey Robinson started on November 12 as our new Assistant Librarian I – Adult Services. Thank you to library staff for covering and filling in gaps in our schedule while we were without a FT position.
- The Toy Library opened on October 30 and is off to a great start! Our website is updated with a page describing the new toy collection and listing all the items available to check out at both library locations. Details can be found here - <https://ledyardlibrary.org/children/toy-library/>



- We will be introducing Board Games as another new circulating collection in the next month.
- I will be representing the library and presenting at the upcoming Community Relations Committee for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion on November 20 at 6:30 p.m.

### Building News:

- Thanks to Public Works for installing our logo to the new front service desk at Bill Library.



Respectfully Submitted,  
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Library Director