Chapter 9

LIBRARY[1]

Section 9-1 Department created[2]

In accordance with section 901 of the town charter, there is hereby created a library department of the town. (Ord. of 5-10-73, § 1)

Section 9-2 Director - Appointment

The town library department shall be under the supervision of a director who shall be appointed by the town manager with the advice and consent of the council. (Ord. of 5-10-73, § 2)

Section 9-3 Same - Duties; powers

(a) The library director shall have as his duties the following: To advise the town manager and town council as to new or desirable programs for public libraries, to recommend capital improvements for library purposes, to undertake studies of needs of the library system as requested by the town council and to assist in the preparation of all operating and capital budgets.

(b) In addition, the director shall have all powers and duties not inconsistent with the town charter conferred or imposed by the general statutes on such officers, and such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the town council. (Ord. of 5-10-73, § 3)

Section 9-4 Employees

The library director shall appoint and may remove, subject to the approval of the manager, and to such rules and regulations as may be adopted pursuant to the merit system provisions of the town charter, any employees necessary to the library operation. (Ord. of 5-10-73, § 4)

Section 9-5 Overdue materials[3]

(a) ***Applicability***. The provisions of this section shall apply to all material borrowed from the town library, commonly known as the Bugbee Memorial Library, whether they be owned by the town, or by any other library including the Connecticut State Library.

(b) ***Definition***. "Overdue" shall be defined to mean the retention by the borrower of any material for a period in excess of the time permitted for such library material to be borrowed under the circulation policy of the Town of Killingly.

(c) ***Fines and fees***. Whoever willfully, intentionally and without right, or wantonly and without cause, detains a book, newspaper, magazine, pamphlet, manuscript or other usual library materials which have been borrowed from the town public library for a period of thirty (30) days or more after final written notice for the return of such item has been sent to such person and, if he is a minor, to his parent or guardian, shall be punished by a fine of not less than two dollars ($2.00) or the replacement or repair cost of said item, whichever is the higher figure, for each item that has not been returned in satisfactory condition in the opinion of the library director. In addition to said fine, the town may also collect from such person who fails to return library materials in accordance with the circulation policy of the town public library all costs of collection, including a fee not to exceed ten dollars ($10.00) for each personal visit to the borrower's place of residence for purposes of collecting overdue library materials.

(d) ***Suspension of borrowing privileges***. Until such time as all overdue fines and fees for borrowed library material have been cleared, borrowing privileges for a person holding overdue library materials or owing such fines and fees shall be suspended. (Ord. of 10-14-80)

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[1] State law reference – Authority to maintain, operate libraries, G.S. § 7-194(8).

[46] Cross reference Administration, Ch. 2

[47] Editor's note – An ordinance adopted Oct. 14, 1980, did not specifically amend this Code; thence its inclusion as § 9-5 was at the discretion of the editor.