Ashland Town Library Library Trustee Meeting August 31, 2015 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm

Attending: David Ruell, Sara Weinberg, Alice Staples

Excused: Mardean Badger

Guests: Norm DeWolfe, Kathy DeWolfe

Director's Report:

- The library will be participating in the "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" program.
- \$211.25 was collected at the Art Harriman fundraiser. This was more than last year, but it was more work to serve hamburgers, and not much return. We will re-think this for next year.
- The play "Robin Hood" was attended by 24 people.
- Sara met with the new after-school director, Lindsay Hale. They discussed collaborations with the library and the after-school program. Norm shared that Ann Barney is the new Parks and Recreation Director, and Barb Sharrow is the new summer camp director.
- The Friends of the Library will meet on September 10 to make final plans for the booksale on September 19.
- We discussed an outreach program to new school and town employees, perhaps sending a letter/brochure introducing them to the services of the library. We also talked about having a library table at Parents' Night at the school.
- There is some talk of moving Santa to the American Legion on Christmas Night in Ashland.

Treasurer's Report:

- We have \$4,150.19 in the checking account.
- We received another \$1,000.00 donation from Marion Crowley.

Old Business:

- Lead paint issues David Ruell and Sara Weinberg will meet at the library with Fran Newton and Tom Peters on Wednesday September 2. Sara will make a copy of the report from Marc Elbaum.
- Art Harriman see above in Director's Report.
- Terry Knowles Sara has prepared a binder with all pertinent documents and Alice will write a
 cover letter.

New Business:

- CIP proposal Alice will share information from the CIP with Tom Ladd. CIP will meet with BOS next Tuesday September 8. They will recommend that the town purchase the old school and purchase a 10 year bond. In this plan, the library may not have control over the third floor. We would need the support of both groups to make this work. We will try to set up a meeting with the CIP in the near future.
- 2016 budget we reviewed the budget line by line and made a few minor changes. David and Sara will review wages and we will re-visit this at our September meeting.
- Bird's Eye View image David received the framed bird's eye view image of Ashland from the Town Office, they are giving it to the library. We examined the image and took it out of the frame. We need to be sure of ownership, and David is willing to take it to Carolyn Frisa at Works on Paper in Bellows Falls, VT for conservation and preservation.

Next meeting: September 28, 6pm. Adjourned at 8pm.

Respectfully submitted, Alice P. Staples