

Scribner Trustee Meeting Minutes  
Monday, August 10, 2020  
5:30 PM

Present: Amanda Loud, Walter Durack, David Toth, Lisa Rollins,  
Kathleen DeWolfe, Alice Staples, David Ruell, Mardean Badger,  
and Sara Weinberg

Due to COVID-19 restrictions this meeting was held via Zoom video/tele conference.

The minutes of the July 13, 2020 were accepted and approved.

Susan McLeod has resigned from her position on the Scribner Trustee Board as she is no longer an Ashland resident.

The current state of the Scribner Funds held in Vanguard is \$95,742.85. \$5,000 was taken from the fund and put into checking to make down payments on the plumbing and roofing projects. The checking account balance is \$5,972.53.

Since the last meeting, Walter Durack established an investment account with Vanguard.

Dow Electric replaced the upstairs exit light and an exit light by the front door. There are 11 smoke detectors and 5 heat sensors connected to the fire alarm system. These items are antiquated and will need to be replaced. Roofing repairs are scheduled to begin in late September to early October. The total is estimated to be approximately \$7,000.

Squam Lake P&H will be installing the new high pressure toilet in the restroom and the sprinkler system in the upstairs stairwell soon. The sprinkler system will allow use of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

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The lawn maintenance account with Mason Enterprise has been cancelled. The town DPW will now care for the grounds. Craig has been asked to have the lawn mown once in August and once in September.

The Supra Safe key lock box will be installed by the backdoor.

The library staff will be added to the Stanley Fire Alarm account as authorized users. Stanley will change out the antiquated smoke and heat detectors.

There are 7 to 8 boxes of pre-2014 Scribner records stored at the library. All records from 2015 to the present have been moved to storage at the town hall.

In a meeting with Rob from Pemi Fuels (formerly Yeaton Oil), it was reported the oil tank was buried over 40 years ago by Mr. Yeaton. The filler pipe has two pin holes on the external part of the pipe which could allow water to enter the oil tank during periods of heavy rains and snow melt. The filler pipe valve is rotting.

New oil tanks cannot be put in the basement until there is abatement of the asbestos on the pipes in the area of the furnace. Ernest from All Demolition & Asbestos Services has given an estimate of \$6,670 for partial abatement and roughly \$20,000 for abatement from all areas of the basement. Excel Mechanical would be willing to install new tanks once the asbestos has been abated. The cost of new tanks installed from Squam Lakes P & H is \$5,000. A rough estimate to complete this project, including asbestos abatement, new tanks, installation, and pumping fuel from the buried tank could be near \$15,000. In a conversation Amanda Loud had with Craig Moore he said he could do the filler pipe replacement of the buried tank. After some discussion about the future needs of the library

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being housed in the Scribner building Amanda Loud made a motion to ask the BOS at the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting to have the DPW fix the filler pipe valve on the buried tank. The motion was seconded by David Toth; all were in favor 4-0.

Amanda Loud will write a brief draft proposal to dissolve the Scribner trust to be presented at the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. The draft will be sent to the town legal counsel. Then the draft will be sent to the library trustees for them to meet and vote on the proposal and returned to the Scribner's for the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. On October 19<sup>th</sup> the proposal will be presented at the BOS meeting.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on:

Monday, September 14, 2020  
5:30 PM  
Via Zoom

Meeting adjourned 6:42 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa D. Rollins  
Secretary, Scribner Trustee