

**Ashland Town Library
Minutes of Library Trustees Meeting
January 14, 2023**

Trustees Present: Alice Staples, David Ruell, Mardean Badger
Others Present: Sara Weinberg, Director

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 PM by Alice Staples.

OLD BUSINESS

• **Building Purchase Process**

- At the January 13 Board of Selectmen meeting, the BOS approved substituting our petitioned warrant article (CRF for \$15,000) for the BOS warrant article (CRF for \$25,000).
- At the January 13 BOS meeting, the BOS approved putting on the warrant a petitioned warrant article asking the voters to rescind the 2022 warrant approving the purchase of the Historic School building for the library.
- An anonymous donor has offered \$10,000 cash to the library to cover the first year's building expenses (utilities, etc.), provided the building is purchased this year (2023).

[At 12:16 PM, the Library Trustees recessed their meeting for a non-meeting with their attorney. At 12:39 PM, the non-meeting with attorney was concluded and the regular meeting was re-convened.]

- The Trustees discussed the estimated first year expenses (utilities, etc.) for the school building. We decided that we will work within the Budget Committee's proposed 2023 library budget (level-funded at the 2022 budget of \$88, 743).

OTHER BUSINESS

- The Trustees briefly discussed the upcoming meeting with the Friends of the Ashland Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by Mardean Badger