

**Ashland Town Library
Minutes of Library Trustees Meeting
November 2, 2023**

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Alice Staples.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A motion was made (Staples) and seconded (Ruell) to approve the minutes of October 19, 2023. The motion was approved unanimously, 3-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Recent children's programming had 19 children and 9 parents/grandparents in attendance. Sixteen adults attended their recent program.
- Rebekah attended a webinar on *Building Community Relationships*, and Sara attended a Primex workshop on human relations.
- A webinar on employee handbooks is scheduled soon.
- Sara noted that the public library in Mont Vernon recently received a National Endowment for the Humanities Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grant.
- The library will have another StoryWalk at Whitten Woods in March and April.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- There was no Treasurer's Report.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Public Hearing**
 - The Public Hearing for the revision of the anonymous donor agreement is scheduled for November 15 and has been advertised in the Laconia Daily Sun, David's Record Enterprise column, and will be on the town calendar. Following the hearing, the Trustees will re-vote to accept the revised donation agreement and will re-sign the agreement. We will provide refreshments and encourage visitors to tour the library.
- **Building and Grounds**
 - Repairs of the upstairs closet are progressing. The cost estimate is now at about \$248.
 - Winter preparation will include disposing of the old shutters and a broken chair and storing the outdoor furniture.
- **Friends of the Library**
 - The last program of the season will be about Civil War Quilts on November 16.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Capital Reserve**
 - We will request that the BOS include a warrant article to add \$25,000 to the capital reserve fund for library building. If the BOS will not sponsor the warrant article, we will present a petitioned article by the submission date.

NEXT MEETING

- **November 15, 2023 – Library Trustees Meeting – 5:30 PM at the Ashland Town Library.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 PM.

Minutes submitted by Mardean Badger