Ashland Town Library Minutes of Library Trustees Meeting January 9, 2025

Trustees Present:Alice Staples, David Ruell, Mardean BadgerTrustees Excused:Fran Newton, alternateOthers 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 December 12, 2024. The motion was approved unanimously, 3-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Sara has contacted Nick Nolton to repair the lock/latch of the front door.
- A local resident has created a Books for Bikes campaign, sponsored by the Maine and New Hampshire Masonic Charitable Foundation. Children can fill out a ticket for each book they read for a chance to win a 24" mountain bike or a 20" BMX bike. The winning names will be drawn at the Library on April 12, 2025.
- The Library will sponsor a Story Walk in Whitten Woods this spring.

TREASURER'S REPORT

• A motion was made (Badger) and seconded (Staples) to approve sending a request to the Board of Selectmen for the first quarter appropriation of \$7,000. The motion was approved unanimously, 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

• Fund Raising

 Alice has spoken with Sarah Andrews about her fund-raising consultation services. She has worked with other library fund-raising campaigns, most recently with the Mont Vernon Library. Her fee is \$50,000 for one year of service, including flyers, events, public relations, etc. Alice has a few other names to contact for similar services.

NEXT MEETING

• January 22, 2025 – Library Trustees Meeting – 5:30 PM at the Ashland Town Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by Mardean Badger