

Jacob Edwards Library

Minutes of July 28, 2015

The Library Trustee meeting of July 28, 2015 began at 12:06 PM. Present at the meeting were Trustees Gary Bridgman, Jessica Jimenez, Mel Blake, Beth Cournoyer, Robin Weber, Maureen Gullekson, Chairman Dick Whitney and Library Director Margaret Morrissey. Tammie Darling was present to record the minutes.

The minutes of the June 16, 2015 meeting were read. Maureen Gullekson motioned to approve the June minutes, Gary Bridgman seconded. So voted.

Gary Bridgman gave a brief overview of Trustee bank accounts notifying the Trustees of the balance of the discretionary funds. Karen Harnois provided the Trustees with the necessary reports showing that only \$30,000 has been paid from the Trustees for books/materials for FY '15 and, as a result, a \$10,000 payment was approved for the remaining balance promised to the Town for books/materials from the Trustee funds.

Under the category of old business, Gary Bridgman is working with Attorney Robert Caprera regarding the purchase of the Foster Street property and notified the Trustees that the proposed deed is complete. The 100 year anniversary book about the Library is almost complete. 500 copies will be printed in black and white and will be for sale by FOJEL. Margaret will check with the Town regarding sales tax on books sold. Complimentary copies of the book will be distributed to approximately 60 people. Jessica Jimenez suggested that the book could be on display at Savers Bank. When the book is completed, a book reception will be held at the Library. Maureen Gullekson also suggested a table at a church bazaar for the book to be displayed.

Chairman's Report-Dick Whitney discussed spending and whether there should be a cap on the budget. He also had a brief discussion regarding the capital account.

Margaret Morrissey distributed her report to the Trustees and discussed upcoming programs and various issues with building maintenance.

Under the category of new business, Robin Weber discussed the creation of the Garden Room, a three season area in the back of the Library behind the children's room where people can sit and read a book. Maureen Gullekson and Beth Cournoyer volunteered to help with the Garden Room and Robin Weber will organize a sub-committee and talk to the Garden Club about ideas and upkeep. Margaret Morrissey discussed various building maintenance projects and repairs needed to the Library.

Dick Whitney made a motion to adjourn, Jessica Jimenez seconded. The meeting ended at 1:08 PM. The next meeting will be held on September 22, 2015 at 12 PM.

Approved September 22, 2015