HARWINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY Minutes of the Library Board of Directors Meeting Monday, December 4, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Art. Members attending were Art, Debbie, Leslie, Paul, Patty, Carol, Jamie, Everett. Also in attendance was Library Director Alice Freiler

Secretary's Report:

Motion to accept minutes, unanimous

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to accept treasurer's report, unanimous

Public Input: None **Director's Report:**

Thanks to Carol, for all her contributions to our Board! Thanks to elves Art and Paul for their help with the sleigh and decorations.

Molly and Alice met with Reg. 10 rep. for NWCCF to discuss grant opportunities for early literacy and expanding summer reading programs.

Hometown Holiday was well attended and brought a lot of people into the Library. Friends did well.

Motion to approve Director's Report, unanimous

Committee Reports:

- Art -26 works have sold so far, netting 780. for Library.
- Budget –Proposed budget was reviewed. Motion to accept proposed budget for 2024-25, unanimous
- Computers PC Wizard and Computer Obsession reformatted inventory and submitted to Municipal Tech. budget for 2024-25.

PC Wizard recommends replacement of 2 PCs and 1 laptop for 2024-25 and the same for 2025-26.

- Fundraising –We've has renewed requests for Harwinton shirts and hats. We will investigate options for a fundraiser.
- Property and building-work has begun on Library exterior trim. We have an estimate from PSI-New England Storage Products for removal, staging and reassembly of shelves. Quote is \$4878. for children's half of Library and \$9000. for adult half. Break down would take 1 day, reassembly would take 1-2 days. Alice has selected 4 chair options and will have samples brought to Library for input. Prices range from \$120-\$375. It makes sense to begin in main Library so we aren't damaging new floors in storage of shelving. We will try to meet with First Selectman before the end of the year to discuss moving forward.
- Governance We will need to find a replacement for Carol. Please send recommendations.
- Policy-no report
- Correspondence-no report
- Strategic Planning-no report

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:30, unanimous Next Meeting: Monday, Jan. 8, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Flowers

