

HARWINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – November 2, 2015

Unapproved Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Co-Chair Karen Kelleher.

Trustees Present: Karen Kelleher, Leslie Flowers, Rich Agoston, Barbara Buss, Art Potwin, Patti Sederquist, Dave Christensen, Mac Beatty, and Jamie O'Meara. Also present was Library Director, Alice Freiler.

Public Input: Mike Maytis attended the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the minutes from the October meeting as written made by A. Potwin, seconded by B. Buss. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: After a brief discussion about the savings account, a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by B. Buss, seconded by L. Flowers. Approved.

Librarian's Report: Alice reports the appeal is going well. Brenna Christensen was hired as the new Library Page. The new statewide catalog will be called findIT CT and the new interlibrary loan system will be called requestIT CT. Both are delayed until the end of the year. The C-car route is being driven by the supervisor. The library received a \$2000 grant from Thomaston Savings Bank. We replaced a router for the computers, and there were many more problems to solve. The new router is more powerful and now password protected. Furnace issues have continued. The new photocopier is quiet, fast, and needs to be networked which will cost \$120-\$140 for the part. The computers are being updated to Windows 10, but not everything is compatible. The library needs a new laptop. The library has approached Harwinton Consolidated School about participating in a pilot program offered by TumbleBooks linking the library's subscription to the school's website so students have another option for accessing e-books. The Library Friends are working on the Hometown Holiday celebration. A member of the Library Friends has donated a SmartBoard to the library.

A motion to accept the Librarian's Report was made by L. Flowers, seconded by A. Potwin. Approved.

Committee Reports:

- **Art:** The work of 8 local artists is currently on display. This exhibit will be followed by quilters, girl scouts, the camera club, and a juried art show.

- **Budget:** All is well.
- **Computers:** The fiber is operational in Town Hall. The VOIP phone system has stalled due to some problems. The library would benefit from linking with the fiber network at Town Hall.
- **Fundraising:** The committee is waiting for the Town Meeting to vote on the approval of spending \$190,000 to move forward with the library's expansion plan.
- **Property and Building:** Committee members have been presenting the library's expansion plan to small groups throughout town. The LSM Video Club will create a video about the expansion. A motion to spend up to \$200 on wire signs for the referendum was made by B. Buss, seconded by K. Kelleher. Approved.
- **Governance:** We have a full board. Welcome, Mac Beatty!
- **Correspondence:** Appeal responses keep coming in. We are keeping the Oneglia family updated on memorial donations.

Other Business: none.

A motion to adjourn was made by B. Buss, seconded by P. Sederquist. Approved at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jamie O'Meara, Secretary

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ON 11/5/2015 AT 8:30AM
ATTEST NANCY E. ELDRIDGE TOWN CLERK