

Minutes Regular Meeting, Thursday April 17, 2014

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Chairman Mary Fatsi called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM in the Meeting Room at the Library/Community Center.

Members Present: Mary Fatsi, Robert LaChance, Michael Lajeunesse, Anna Naum, Sally White and Aileen Witkowski.

Guests Present: Paul Baer and Paul Lenky, First Selectman.

Staff Present: Alison Boutaugh, Library Director, and Ida Ransom.

Building and Grounds Issues

1. First Selectman Paul Lenky discussed and answered questions about the curbing, the sprinkler system, the HVAC system and outside lighting issues with the Board. Board members shared their thoughts and concerns.

Secretary's Report

1. Aileen Witkowski moved and Anna Naum seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the March 27, 2014 Special Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence: None

Financial Report

1. Robert LaChance moved and Anna Naum seconded the motion to accept the financial report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report

1. Anna Naum moved and Aileen Witkowski seconded the motion to accept the Director's report as presented; the motion carried.

Old Business

- 1. History Room
 - a. Sally White moved and Anna Naum seconded the motion to donate a telegraph key in its display case, a Thompson Bicentennial Parade Trophy, an antique horse hitch and two (2) prints of a Thompson homestead that was removed to Gloucester, MA to the Thompson Historical Society. The motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Recording Secretary
 - a. Robert LaChance moved and Anna Naum seconded the motion that Michael Lajeunesse, Anna Naum and Aileen Witkowski review the applications and decide who to hire for the Board of Trustees Recording Secretary position. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3. FY 14-15 Budget
 - a. Michael Lajeunesse moved and Sally White seconded the motion to convey the two documents, the 10-Year Financial Synopsis and the Reduction in Staff Report, to the members of the Board of Finance, using the proposed cover letter that Alison Boutaugh presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Literature Campaign: This will be added to the May agenda.

New Business

- 1. FY 15-16 Budget and Library Hours
 - a. It was the consensus that this be tabled to the May meeting.

Citizen's Comments

- 1. Paul Baer commented on First Selectman Lenky's conversation with the Trustees. He stated that the library is over staffed, that not all the expenses of operating the library are reflected in the statistics and that volunteers are used in other libraries and hospitals successfully.
- 2. Paul Baer stated that there has been substantial email hacking occurring in the past several days.

Chairman Fatsi left the meeting at 3:22 PM; Vice-Chairman Robert LaChance assumed management of the meeting.

Trustee's Comments

- Sally White asked what the library policy is on filtering on the computers. Per Alison Boutaugh, with this Board's previous vote of approval, there are no filters in place. Michael Lajeunesse stated that this policy does not need to be revisited. Sally White stated her concern about the lack of participation by Library Staff and Trustees when a program is presented at the Library.
- 2. Sally White asked about the possibility of moving the building maintenance back over to the Town.

Announcements

1. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 15, 2014 at 2 PM in the Library/Community Center.

Adiournment

- 1. Aileen Witkowski moved and Sally White seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried.
- 2. Vice-Chairman LaChance adjourned the meeting at 3:40 PM.

Ida Ransom Recording Secretary