

Ellsworth Public Library – 20 State Street – Ellsworth, ME 04605

Minutes of the Ellsworth Public Library Board of Trustees Tuesday, January 17, 2017

Attending: Ron Fortier, Chairperson; Wendy Lessard; Anne Lusby, Secretary; Jane McLetchie; Mr. Raymond Williams, Treasurer; Amy Wisehart, Director, Edmund Murray, Custodian/Maintenance

Call to order at 6:43pm.

Minutes

Ray Williams moved to accept the Minutes of the December 28, 2016 meeting as written. Seconded by Jane McLetchie.

Approved 4-0.

Financial Reports and Planning

a. Treasurer's Report

Ray Williams reported on various accounts:

It was reported that 40.5 percent of our budget has been spent to date.

Also reported that \$64, 152. is currently in our Fund 80 account.

A discussion was held concerning the Library's high electricity use and possible ideas to address this issue.

Anne Lusby moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as read.

Seconded by Jane McLetchie.

Approved by: R. Fortier, A. Lusby, J. McLetchie, and R. Williams 4-0

Abstained: W. Lessard

Approved 4-0-1.

Town Warrants

The following assignments were given for attendance at town meetings:

Lamoine: March 8, 2017 Ron Fortier and Anne Lusby will attend.

Waltham: March 18, 2017 Wendy Lessard will attend.

Building and Grounds

Edmund Murray reported on the current carpet quotes/bids and will coordinate with Ron Fortier as to the cost of moving shelves/books as part of this project. No determination was reached as to what bid the trustees will accept.

Edmund also reported that we are moving forward on repairs/replacement of the humidifier, elevator, and the removal of the Linden tree. Work continues on updating the Alarm Call List.

Friends of the Library

Jane McLetchie reported that The Friends are planning a book sale on March 11, 2017.

Hannaford in Ellsworth has designated The Friends of the Library as the beneficiary of their blue bag fundraiser for January/2017 and will receive #1.00 for each bag which is purchased.

Director's Report

Amy Wisehart reported on her written report highlighting her upcoming attendance at the ALA Midwinter conference January 20-24th.

Unfinished Business

 Ray Williams made the motion authorizing the Library's Director to have the Ellsworth Police Department investigate possible criminal charges against a delinquent patron.
Seconded by Ron Fortier.

Approved 5-0.

b. Lengthy review/discussion on FY 18 budget which will continue with a special meeting planned for Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 7am.

Executive Session per MRSA Title1, Chapter 13, Sec 405, Paragraph 6A to discuss employment matters.

Wendy Lessard moved to enter Executive Session.

Seconded by Ray Williams.

Approved 5-0

Executive Session entered at 7:37 p.m.

Ray Williams moved to exit Executive Session.

Wendy Lessard seconded.

Executive Session exited at 8:38 p.m.

Approved 5-0.

New Business

Strategic Plan: Tabled at this time. Will review at a future meeting.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Anne Lusby to adjourn at 9:12 pm Seconded by Jane McLetchie Approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Lusby, EPL Trustee Secretary