

## ***Cobleigh Public Library Trustees' Minutes***

March 27, 2017 4:30 p.m.

Attending: Cindy Karasinski, Lindsay Carpenter, Jan Wade, David Martin, Jeanne Laughton (new board member)  
Marty Feltus (ex officio member)

**Minutes** from 2/27/17 – Motion to approve – David-1<sup>st</sup> Lindsay-2<sup>nd</sup> - Approved

**Treasurer's Report** – Motion to approve – David-1<sup>st</sup> Jan-2<sup>nd</sup> - Approved

### **Librarian's Report**

The Library received a donation of \$200 from the Living Strong Group when they read about the Library's upcoming furnace situation. After discussion the Board made a motion to leave the decision to Cindy of where these monies would be best used for the Library. Lindsay-1<sup>st</sup>, David-2<sup>nd</sup>

Cindy shared that Abby was able to make her first trip to Mid-State Library for the Cobleigh Library's slotted appointment. Marty shared information that Mid-State Library will remain open and will actually be expanding within the next two years. Staff from the Vermont Dept. of Libraries will be moving to the Mid-State Library and more hours and services will be made available.

As noted in Cindy's report, Family Place will be starting in April as a service for parents during story time. This is a national program and Cobleigh Library is the only library in Vermont that offers this program.

Additionally Cindy shared that the Lyndon Truck Center serviced the Bookmobile and once again they have not charged the Library for their services. Lindsay will write them a thank you.

In other good news, Cindy shared that the Library has received an anonymous donation of \$500 to be used for the bookmobile.

Abby Johnson is looking for volunteers to serve as bankers for the upcoming Monopoly tournament. Lindsay will join in this event.

### **Old Business**

**Selection of Trustees** – Lindsay has not had a chance to contact Justin Smith to determine what the Board will need to do to add board members from towns other than Lyndon in the future. She will contact him this week.

**Committee Assignments** – It was decided to postpone this matter until a full Board is present.

**Furnace(s)** – David met with Travis at Fred's Plumbing and Heating to review and obtain clarification of their bids. Travis explained that we do not have any steam heat. Presently we have two hot water boilers: an old gravity feed, and a newer one with a circulator pump. Basically the old boiler heats the original building and the new boiler heats the addition. The \$21,000 bid would replace both boilers with new more efficient ones, each with a circulator. But the old and new parts of the building would still be heated separately. The \$26,000 bid would also replace both boilers, but would also tie the whole system together as one. Travis felt that this is the better way to go for long term cost and reliability. He also said he thought the Children's Room would be heated fine by the existing pipes that run through it.

**Bookmobile Budget** – it was noted that the minutes should reflect the 2017 budget for the Bookmobile was approved via email.

### **New Business**

***Abestos Abatement*** – Phil Cornock, a licensed asbestos inspector, is coming to the Library tomorrow to look over the current furnace situation and make recommendations for a licensed asbestos removal contractor. Once the contractor has completed their work, a licensed inspector will return to make a final determination of the work. The first quote that has been received for the removal of all asbestos materials is \$15,000. At this time it appears that the entire project will cost approximately \$41,000 of which \$29,000 is available from the drawdown on investments. Marty suggested that the Library contact the Town to verify whether the asbestos cost could be covered as a member of the Town's insurance (Cindy will contact Dawn Dwyer). She also noted that the attorney firm, Downs Rachlin & Martin, has established a foundation where they give funds to organizations in need. She also noted that there may be grant sources - she will research what options may be available for the Library to consider to cover these costs.

***Election of Officers*** – *Chair* – Lindsay nominated – Dave-1<sup>st</sup>, Jan-2<sup>nd</sup>; *Secretary* – Jan nominated – Lindsay-1<sup>st</sup>, Jeanne-2<sup>nd</sup>; *Treasurer* – Don nominated – Lindsay-1<sup>st</sup>, David-2<sup>nd</sup>. All present were in favor of these motions.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

The next two meetings are scheduled for May 22<sup>nd</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Adjourn at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Wade