

# Minutes of Gorham Public Library Trustees Meeting 04/26/2016

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## **Trustees Present:**

Aaron Gorban, Gail Wigler, Clint Emmett

## **Staff/Others Present:**

Elizabeth Thompson, Director, Cheryl O'Malley

## **Agenda/Discussion:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Aaron Gorban at 6:00pm.

After review of the minutes of the meeting of March 22, 2016, a motion was made to accept the minutes by Aaron Gorban, and was seconded by Gail Wigler. Motion passed unanimously.

Bid/Proposal review: Aaron Gorban, Clint Emmett, and Elizabeth Thompson met with Mark Yourison on April 8th, 2016. This was to meet with him and review the scope and details of the work to be done on the front of the library. During this walk around, it was discovered that the dormers on the library were also in need of repair. Vinyl siding would be an option for these, allowing them to tie in with the rest of the building aesthetically, and reduce cost. Mark will submit an additional bid for this extra work.

The vacancy for an alternate trustee was discussed. Cheryl O'Malley has expressed interest in filling this vacancy. She met with the trustees and a discussion ensued regarding the role/responsibility of trustees, as well as general business of the library and ways that the trustees assist in this.

Another strong candidate for alternate trustee has been presented as well, Margaret Leperle. She has expressed interest, is known to the library, and also brings much enthusiasm and knowledge to her interest.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Copies of financial reports/statements were provided for review. The budget is on track and proceeding according to plan.

## **Director's Report:**

GPL Director Elizabeth Thompson reported on the following items:

- The children's room is proceeding as planned, with final touches still needing to be done, including: artwork and murals for the walls, as well as the custom built bins for the books.
- Update on fundraiser: The funds raised by the quilt raffle will be used to write a children's book. Ed Fen Elementary school children will be writing the text of the book, Will O'Brien will be illustrating. The text is nearly finished, and it is now proceeding to the illustration stage. All children involved are having a great time.

- Children's art programming will take a summer break for a few months, and then resume at a later time.
- There was a program on the history of CCC (Civilian Conservation Corp.) on Wednesday March 23rd, 2016, this was attended by 51 people.
- On April 14th, 2016 the GPL co-sponsored the movie "Chasing Ice" at the Medallion Opera House, this was attended by 25 people.
- Senator Woodburn, and State Librarian Mike York included GPL in their tour of the North Country- they were impressed at the services of the library and what GPL offers to the community.
- Upcoming events: "Ramblin' Richard" (folk music and songs) will be at GPL on May 5th at 7pm..
- Flowers and outdoor landscaping cleanup will take place on May 20th at 8am- volunteers Pam and Lowery Hall will spearhead this effort.

### **Action Items:**

A motion was made to accept the bid from Mark Yourison Construction in the amount of \$2995.00 to repair/update the dormers to match the work also being done on the face of the library by Aaron Gorban. This was seconded by Gail Wigler. Motion Passed unanimously.

A motion was made to approve the drafting of a letter to request funding in the amount of \$2995.00 from the Murphy Bequest for the repair/update of the dormers to match the work being done on the front of the library by Gail Wigler. Seconded by Aaron Gorban. Motion passed unanimously. A letter was drafted by Elizabeth Thompson and signed by Aaron Gorban, Gail Wigler, and Clint Emmett to be submitted by Elizabeth Thompson.

A motion was made to request the appointing of Margaret Laperle to the position of Alternate Trustee by Gail Wigler. This was seconded by Clint Emmett. Motion passed unanimously. A letter was drafted by Elizabeth Thompson and signed by Aaron Gorban, Gail Wigler, and Clint Emmett to be submitted by Elizabeth Thompson.

### **Next Meeting:**

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 24th, 2016 at 6:00pm.

A motion to adjourn passed unanimously and the meeting ended at 7:14pm