

Lee Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2016 4 pm Lee Library

Present: Annie Gasowski, Bruce Larson, Katrinka Pellicchia, Cindy Van Oyen; Ruth Eifert

September minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: As of Sept 30, there is \$9612.61 in the Operations Account, \$3237.53 in the non-lapsing account and \$6190.58 in the CD.

Director's Report: The Legos program has been very successful as has the new Snap Circuits drop-in program. The library has received the kits made possible by the donation from the Girl Scouts. Library circulation is down slightly.

Building maintenance: The rotted siding in the back of the building is being replaced; the town has received an estimate on replacing the furnace that heats the meeting space and stack, it needs to be approved by the Select Board before moving forward.

Budget preparation. The library is scheduled to meet with the Advisory Budget Committee on Oct 26. The trustees approved a 5% raise for all library employees. The Assistant/Circulation Librarian currently works 35 hours/week which makes the position ineligible for health care insurance through the Town; the trustees agreed to revisit that issue next year.

CIP: The Planning Board is meeting on October 13 at 8 am, Ruth will attend,

Listening Session: The trustees had discussed holding a Listening Session on Saturday, Oct 22, but in light of recent developments they agreed it made more sense to work with the Facilities Committee and the Select Board. The next Facilities Committee meeting is October 18, several trustees will attend.

The annual report is due to the Town by October 31.

FOL report: Deb Sugarman is now the president of the Friends of the Library.

Public Hearing: RSA 202-A:4-c: The trustees moved and agreed to accept a memorial donation of \$50 from Barbara McNamee to purchase books and a \$10 anonymous donation to purchase Storytime supplies.

Trustees of the Trust Funds: John Tappan and Rick Miller met with the trustees to discuss their decision that the three options concerning the Library/Community Center Capital Reserve Fund were to 1) continue moving forward with the plan to build at the former Bricker property; 2) discontinue the fund or 3) change the purpose of the fund, which would require a 2/3 majority vote from the town. The trustees agreed that submitting a warrant article to change the purpose of the fund – making the focus less narrow and allowing the funds to be used to improve/expand the current library building if that was what the Town wanted to proceed with – was the best option.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30. The Trustees will meet with the Advisory Budget Committee on October 26; the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, November 9 at 5 pm at the Library.