

Daland Library Trustees Meeting Minutes March 16th, 2021

Attendees: Bonnie Angulas Trustees: Cindy Raspiller, Jane King, Jill Weber
Library Building Committee : John Quinlan

Meeting took place on zoom and was called to order at 7:35 pm.

New Library Building Report

We are scheduled to meet with Planning Board again on March 23. Because the new road is a town road, we do not need approval from the Planning Board. The recommendation stands that we come for more advice and overall support so they can vocalize their support when we come before the town. We do not need to have a public hearing nor do we have to inform the abutters.

Cindy asked if we needed Sean from Oaks Engineering to join us at the meeting. John and Bill McKinney did not think it necessary for the Sean to attend. John addressed the conduits and that we had always intended for them to go to the cemetery. Jane asked we had spoken with Lou before meeting. John will reach out to see if he can attend the Planning Board meeting on the 23rd. Cindy wondered if it would make sense for cemetery and library to share a well. John asked Cindy to make sure the hard copies of the plans have been distributed before our meeting.

Next step will be to write the warrant article. If it becomes a petition article, we will need 25 support signatures to put it out for a town vote.

John signed off and we began our Library Trustee meeting at 8:10 pm.

Librarian's report:

Reopening:

Kevin Furlong put Bonnie and staff on the vaccination list. They can register tomorrow and should be able to get appointments after March 25. Bonnie was hoping to reopen end of the month to the limited occupancy of 3 and fully open in May. Still wearing masks and still following the protocol. Bonnie would like to phase opening in order to be open by time of Summer Reading Program. Cindy was concerned about the staff feeling at risk. Suggested we wait till after the staff is vaccinated. Jill was concerned about April vacation and people coming back to town after travelling. We didn't agree on a date until the staff is fully vaccinated.

Bonnie asked about filling the teenager position in May.

Kim Roberge questioned our policy for snow days and how our staff is paid. Bonnie reminded us we have an emergency closure policy and a telework policy which is why our staff is paid. Bonnie shared our policy with the Selectmen.

Grants:

Bonnie is on the fourth of five weeks of the Rural Library Grant. She met with the other librarians to share how this grant is being used in various communities. The support has been fantastic and a pleasure to meet other librarians and how they cope with all of the financial and size constraints. Bonnie is going with the Welcome to Mont Vernon and a giveaway bag telling about the various organizations in our town and community. Everything from our Historical Society to Toadstool and Union Coffee. The money needs to be used by June. Bonnie is aiming for Town meeting around Memorial Day. Bonnie would reach out to realtors. Grant hasn't arrived yet.

March 4th, Bonnie sent out the American Library Association Grant for the virtual historic walking tour of Mont Vernon. Bonnie requested the maximum of \$3000. She will find out March 31st if we were accepted. She will have from June to September to complete this and she will be working with the historical society. JoAnn applied for to the New Hampshire Library special grant that is just for Teenagers fashioned as an art therapy program involving projects to encourage socialization. She is planning for a gallery display at the end. She was hoping to use the Mont Vernon Artisan group. This does add to an already busy summer. Grant is for \$500 to go to art supplies.

Easter: JoAnn made Easter basket kits for our younger story time kids. They are sponsoring the Peeporama again this year. Bonnie said if we could be open by April 3, then people could come in and see the display. Cindy also suggested tents on the lawn. Bonnie pushing forward with lots of events.

Summer Reading program registration will be in May just before town meeting.

Cindy suggested we look into a rental tent for the summer and see if we can get COVID money to cover the expense.

Meeting Notes

Jane made a motion to approve meeting notes as written. Jill seconded the motion. We all voted to accept the meeting notes as written.

Reports:

There was no report from the **selectmen's representative** as she was not present.

Treasurer's Report:

Karen is in the process of trying to reconcile a credit to the Staples line.

No money has come in and salaries are spot on. Bonnie will talk to Karen about digital streaming line.

Jane said we are fine to cover our expenses even with late date on the Town meeting and town budget approval.

Two invoices that need to be approved are \$700 DSK and \$152.52 to Oak Engineering for the drawings that were printed for the planning board meeting. Jane moved that we take \$700 from the Library Expansion Fund from the Trustee of the Trust Funds to pay the \$700 to DSK. Jill seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Motion carries. Jane moves that we pay the Oak Engineering invoice of \$152.52 from the Library Study fund line in the 2021 Budget. Jill seconds. Vote was unanimous. Both will go to Karen as she wears both hats. Bonnie had two checks for Jane to sign. She will drop by library to sign.

Jill moved that we adjourn. Jane seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 20th, 2021 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jill Weber—Secretary