

## Mary L. Blood Library Trustees' Meeting July 23, 2015

Present: Trustees: Tom Kenyon, Edson Pierce, Chris Wagner and Jennifer Rathburn. (Librarian of the Mary L. Blood Library).

Note: Minutes of June 18, 2015, were considered and accepted.

Librarian's report: Copy of Librarian's Report for June 2015 is attached below.

### Old Business:

- (1) Trustees discussed librarian's Report. Tom to publish the financial challenge in his column in the Vermont Standard.
- (2) Jennifer was thanked for the great work on the book sale on the 4th of July. The sale time went on during the church breakfast went great. It was suggested more activities take place on the 4th near the library. Tom stated next year there is hope for the Swallow pictures to be on display in the town hall. We were disappointed the library was not part of the scavenger hunt. Maybe a hunt for the youth to participate in and one for the adults to participate in. Tom noted the setting up of the tent the day prior went well.
- (3) Tom noted the correct LED lights are on order with Stoney Electric.
- (4) Tom still to inquire on what state approvals are needed for the new restroom. He noted things are progressing ok. Tom noted Dave Silvester is still laid up but improving slowly. Trustees prefer glass over the new restroom door. Tom is to see if Paul Biebel might draw up plans for the new MLB restroom for state approval. Note Paul Biebel is having medical problems at this time.
- 5) Tom is sure EC Fiber is coming to the library. It was noted if so we may have to upgrade our computers, etc.

### New Business:

- (1) Tom noted the Treasurer thinks there is about \$7900 in our account for the rest of the year.
- (2) Trustee Chris Wagner wants to investigate grants for books and to see if we can raise funds for the new restroom.
- (3) Several authors' programs including readings by local authors are planned. Tom noted October 18 the WWHS is planning a Cady day. It was suggested once again the Library and the WWHS could do a program together.
- (4) Board liked bookmarks and thank-you post cards. Chris is to investigate these further.
- (5) Trustees discussed 4th of July storage of stuff in the basement. Tom to note situation to Select Board.
- (6) It was suggested the nice glass door book case be moved into the main library and be used to store any rare books.

### Next Meeting:

The next regular monthly meeting of the Trustees will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2015 at 4 pm.

Tom Kenyon, Secretary

July 2015 Librarian's Report:

The July 4<sup>th</sup> book sale was quite successful. We made \$107.00 and greatly reduced the amount of books in the foyer. Tom hauled away the unsold, old and unwanted ones to the Swap Shop at the dump. We can now consolidate what's left to one side, allowing space for the future bathroom.

In addition to the money raised by the sale of books we received some donations, including a \$50.00 check from John Cocke along with a challenge—if we can raise \$1000.00 he will give us another check for \$100.00.

We have received an anonymous donation of 3 recently published novels: *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr, *Some Luck* by Jane Smiley and *A Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler. They are a welcome addition to our new book shelf and we are very pleased to have them.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Rathburn