

Laconia Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting
Volpe Room
February 20, 2020

I. Call to Order

Laconia Public Library Board of Trustees held their regular monthly meeting in the Volpe Room. Chairman John Moriarty called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Present: James Anderson; Aaron Bassett; Kimberly Danosi; alternate Bruce Kneuer; and Director Randy Brough

Not present: Marie Bradley; John Perley; Liz Rosenfeld; and alternate Bill Bastraw

Chairman seated alternate Kneuer.

Laconia Historical and Museum Society Director, Pat Tierney, and Board Member, Don Brough, presented a proposal to mount two exhibits at Laconia Public Library in 2020:

May-September: "The Development of the American Public Library"

October-December: "The Women's Suffrage Movement and Ratification of the 19th Amendment"

II. Reports

A. Secretary's Report:

January 23 minutes were revised to read, "Deep Freeze (restores image while removing previous data) is now installed on all public computers." (p. 2)

AND

"Perley moves to approve expenditure of \$5000.00 for production of Colonial Theater Rehabilitation documentary for LPL collection, funds to come from General Trust Fund. Seconded by Danosi. Board vote to pass the motion. Anderson voted against. Kneuer had left the meeting prior to vote." (p. 3)

Revised January 23 minutes were approved unanimously.

B. Treasurer's Report:

Financial Statements for January were reviewed. Motion by Bassett to accept statements; second made by Anderson. Board voted unanimously to pass motion.

C. Policy:

- a) No report

D. Personnel:

- a) No report

E. Buildings & Grounds:

- a) No report

F. Technology

- a) No report

G. Director's Report:

- a) Administrative/Technical Assistant Lesley Unger has resigned her position at LPL. Her last day is tomorrow (February 21). On a temporary basis, several of her job responsibilities will be assumed by library staff. Technical assistance is available from the City IT Department. Bill processing and financial reporting will need to be performed by a temp service, beginning ASAP. The Board wishes to fill this position with a full-time employee.

H. Chairman's Report

- a) John Perley should be re-appointed to the Board of Trustees at the next City Council meeting on February 24.
- b) Draft summary of the facilitated goal setting meeting held by City Council on January 30 will be distributed to Trustees.

III. Old Business

- a) 2020-2021 Budget (No report)
- b) Church-library cut through: weekday services still being held at St. Joseph's.
- c) Library legislation: NH House of Representatives voted last week to ITL (Inexpedient to Legislate) HB1615, requiring criminal background checks for persons brought into a library to interact with minors in library-sponsored events.
- d) Internet use policy: Tabled. Liz not in attendance, plus she wants all Trustees to read an article about Free Speech and Obscenity that could impact library policy.
- e) Historic Materials Assessment: Two-page document prepared by Joe Constance was reviewed. Disposition of historic collection was discussed. Director will contact

Northeast Documents Conservation Center to determine if they are available to evaluate brittle Belknap County Maps.

IV. New Business

- a) Children's Room Proposal for Design Services: Tabled.
- b) Anderson moved, Kneuer seconded to compensate the Laconia Historical and Museum Society \$10,000 from Endowment income to create, install and provide the Laconia Public Library with two exhibits over the remainder of calendar year 2020. The motion passed by majority vote.

Next regular meeting is Thursday, March 26 at 5:30 in the Volpe Room.

V. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm. Motion by Danosi, seconded by Bassett.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Brough

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