

MADISON LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

October 20, 2010

Chick Room

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Judith Burton, Charlotte Emmel, Angela Johnson, Beverly Klitsch, Tom Reinfuss, Bob Risch, Mary Russell, Ray Stineford, Mary Cronin, Library Director

ABSENT: Sandra Carr, Melissa LaRoche, Carol Batchelder, Friends of the Library

Meeting was called to order by Ray Stineford at 3:30 PM.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY: Corrections to the September minutes were discussed. Ray suggested that a re-draft of the minutes should be done and submitted at the November meeting. Angela Johnson moved to table the minutes till the November meeting, seconded by Beverly Klitsch. The motion was approved and accepted.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER: We did not spend a lot of money in September. There is a balance of \$9,111.41 in the account now. The town budget is on track for this time of year. The Report was accepted and filed for audit.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT: New Hampshire State Police will be presenting a program on "Criminal Investigations in Rural Areas," which Mary expects to be well-attended. Several people attended the program on September 30th, "Preserving Madison's 20th Century History," to help raise community interest in archiving town history here at the library. Marty Risch deserves a lot of credit for telling people about what's been done so far with the Moose Plate grant project and inviting them to the program. Community members are invited to bring in articles, news clippings, photos, and other historical-related items to the library. We are trying to find a way using new technology for people to learn how to preserve these historical items at home. The Library of Congress has a web page dedicated to this issue. Sloane Jarell has started working as staff substitute and will work on Friday while Mary attends a conference. This is a busy time of year for conferences. There is a new volunteer, Nancy Killam, who will work on the Mustang Academy program. On budget issues, Mary recommended increasing the line item for "Fees" on the Town portion of the Madison Library's budget from \$235 to \$285 for 2011. Angela so moved and Ray seconded. The motion was approved and accepted. There was a proposed increase in "Electronic Materials." Mary is hoping to get the Encyclopedia Britannica online. The passes are not being used a lot but Mary would like to leave them in the budget. The pass for the Portland Art Museum is used the most. Fifty dollars was added to "Subscriptions" for "Business NH" (good for job searches) and "PC World." "Building

Maintenance” was increased by \$650 for shoveling and plowing. Ray noted that no staff members should be shoveling snow. Angela made a motion to accept the self-generated fund budget in total. Judy Burton seconded. The motion was approved and accepted.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT: In the absence of Carol Batchelder, Mary noted that the program last night on Mt. Washington was very well attended. There will be a bake sale at the Town Meeting in March.

GALLERY REPORT: No Gallery Report.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS: Ray is very unhappy about the limitations on volunteers as presented in “Best Practices for Volunteers” from the State Library. Mary noted that these are guidelines that are recommended based on law, but it is up to the Board to decide. Ray wants the Trustees to “customize” these guidelines. Ray noted that this is the last meeting of the Board of Trustees that Judy Burton will attend. On behalf of the entire Board, Ray expressed his appreciation to Judy for her five years of service as Alternate Trustee, and his regret at her leaving.

The next meeting will be on November 17, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia H. Ambrose, Recording Secretary.

Draft Minutes e-mailed to the Trustees, Town Clerk, and Library Director on October 21, 2010.