

# Mont Vernon Library Trustees Meeting

## Tuesday, October 17, 2023

In attendance: Bonnie Angulas, Amy White, Cindy Raspiller, Jane King

### **I. Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm**

### **II. Agenda Approval**

### **III. Approve Meeting Minutes**

- Jane moved to approve September 27th minutes, Cindy seconded. Jane abstained. All in favor.

### **IV. Reports**

#### **Library Building Committee Report**

- On October 22nd at 1pm the Planning Board is walking the new Library Site
- The Library Building Committee is on the agenda for Planning Board Committee on October 24th
- Invitations are being sent to all abutters who are within 50' of the property - which goes beyond the 'direct abutters' which is customary for projects before the Planning Board
  - Cindy will do an introduction to the library building project in order to ensure all members on the Planning Board have a shared understanding.
  - The road is not part of the conversation because the Planning Board stated it is not in their purview

#### **Selectmen's Report**

- Walking the library site on Sunday with the Planning Board
- Capital improvement plan is being worked on
- CIP is being presented on Monday October 30th

#### **Library Director's Report**

- Harvest Market - huge success - for first year event
  - \$2000 raised
  - Artisans may be interested in joining next year
  - Plant Sale will be in the spring; Harvest Market in the fall
  - Timing worked perfectly
  - Children's Programs are filled
    - Lapsit is crowded!
- Junior book clubs
- Superintendent of Schools will be coming November 8th - listening session - talking about the 2024 school budget
- Bonnie proposes to use the furniture and equipment line item to purchase folding black chairs
  - Two sick-packs of black, padded chairs

- Howard Brown can use his discount and deliver to the library

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Two invoices to be approved: DSK Invoice #7 dated 9/26/2023 for \$785 for construction documents and services.
- Town Counsel fee (payable to Sowerby & Moustakis Law, PLLC) that reviewed the contract with Turnstone \$1080. \$1000 is budgeted in legal fees and we will use this line item
- Jane moved that we pay both, Cindy seconded, all in favor
- Karen Mitchell wants us to decide what to do with funds that are sitting in cash
  - What is the earliest that we will need these funds?
  - All agreed that funds can be invested as long as they are available in April 2024.
- Bonnie is on track for her budget; on track for salaries for the 2023 fiscal year;
- 2024 budget is ready to be submitted; waiting to hear about cost of living increase from town which also affects retirement
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### **Correspondence**

- Becky sent town report notification with deadline of 12/1/2023 for draft.

### **VI. Policy Review and Updates**

- N/A

### **VII. Unfinished Business**

- Develop a plan for Public input sessions between now and 2024 town meeting
  - First week in December the Library Building Committee will run this
  - Wednesday or Thursday - first week of December
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- Trustee listening sessions
  - At the library
- Partnering with the MV TownClerk's Office on "Civics 101"
  - budgeting - John Arico
  - process of town meeting
  - school budgets, SB2, deliberative session
  - the history of the town report; the law; how to read it
  - meet the candidate

### **VIII. New Business**

none

### **IX. Acceptance of Gifts and Donations**

**none**

**X. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

**none**

**XI. Upcoming Meetings**

- Planning Board walk the Library Site - 10/22 at 1pm - meeting at Post Office parking lot
- Planning Board - 10/24 at the Town Hall
- Capital Improvement Plan - first draft - Select Board meeting - 10/30 -7pm - tentatively at Fire Station Community Room
- Library Building Committee - 11/1 at 7:30pm at the Daland Memorial Library
- Trustee Listening Sessions - 11/18, 12/9 – 10am - noon - for public to give feedback about new library project
- Library Trustees - Tuesday, 11/21 at 7:00pm

**XII. Adjourn 9:00 pm**