

Library Board of Directors
Somers Public Library Boardroom
April 6, 2009

Present: Tiffany Daly, Mike Gotta, Dee Moak, Andy Phillips, Robin Provencher, Shirley Warner
Absent: Francine Aloisa, (excused), Lois Lindell (excused) and Laurel Welliver

At 6:30 p.m. Shirley Warner impressed the Board with a tour of the semi- completed addition to the library.

Meeting called to order by Chairwoman at 7: 15.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the March 9, 2009 meeting were reviewed and corrected. Motion to approve the minutes by Charlotte Stopa , seconded by Andy Phillips and voted unanimously.

First Audience of Citizens: Kevin Wysocki, Grade 11, audited the meeting, fulfilling a Civics Class assignment.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was reviewed and filed for audit.

Financial Business:

Approval of Invoices: Motion to approve the payment of invoices by Robin Provencher, seconded by Charlotte Stopa and voted unanimously.

Year- to- date budget: The electric bill is very high because of cold weather and need to heat the building site. In the past, Cutter has paid the increase. .

Committees:

Investment: No report.

Budget FY09-10: No town employee will receive an increase in their salary in this fiscal year. Part time library employees receive the lowest hourly rates in the town.

Building Program:

Update on progress:The temporary entrance is at the rear and parking is at the side facing the elementary school.

Closing and move- in plans: The library will close May 4- 23 as the library moves to the new section of the library. Work will commence on the current old part. Patrons may be ask to check out a bag of books for that duration. Plans are being made to move the books

- in their current shelf form. Volunteers may be needed to pack books.

Motion to suspend library fines while the library is closed by Robin Provencher, Seconded by Dee Moak and voted unanimously.

Motion to purchase 100 storage cartons for books at no more than \$150 each made by Tiffany Daly, seconded by Andy Phillips and voted unanimously.

Fundraising: A grant has been received (\$145,000) from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. Money can now be drawn from the State Library Construction Grant.

Policy review: None

Directors Report: None

Friends of the Library: The recent book sale yielded \$2000.

New Business:

Disposal of existing furnishings:

The "pecking" order for these items follows:

1. Town offices and the public schools.
2. Town charitable groups.
3. Other items will be put up for auction or sale.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Moak
Secretary

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