

Minutes of Quechee Library Trustees' Meeting
September 8, 2014

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Attending: Brian Chaboyer (secretary), Dave Izzo (President), Katie McCarthy, Kate Schaal (Library Director), Jim Schmidt, Merrilyn Tatarczuch-Koff,

Absent: Bill Eastwood (Treasurer), Kathleen Hickey

Minutes of the M1y 19, 2014 meeting were approved.

Kate Schaal presented her written report, The report was accepted, with a discussion of a number of issues:

1. Although the contract with the W. Hartford library has ended, Nick continues to work on cataloging the books. It is understood that the time spent on this counts towards the hours per week that Nick is being paid by the town for town-wide services.
2. Nine Upper Valley libraries primarily in the VOKAL consortium will begin to use a unified card system, which will be called *OneCard*, allowing members in good standing to borrow from each other's libraries. **Jim Schmidt made a motion that the Quechee and Wilder Libraries join the OneCard system for a one year trial period. Merrilyn Tatarczuch-Koff seconded. The motion passed unanimously.** Kate will monitor the usage of the OneCard and report back to the board if any issues or problems are encountered. Marieke is the staff member attending meetings and overseeing the OneCard for us.
3. Finding someone to mow the lawn continues to prove challenging. The current shed, used by the garden club, is too small for a mower and is falling apart. Given our site, the only place to put a larger shed would be on the east side of the building, but there is a tree currently in that location. Kate will approach the donors about having the tree removed, and Brian will apply for a building permit for the shed once permission to remove the tree has been obtained. The Rotary Club of White River has offered labor in response to our annual grant application.
4. The garden club is exploring the possibility of installing a automatic watering system. The board had a number of questions about this project, including fail-safes for shutting the system off, how this would impact our water bill, and what exactly is required in term of changing the pipes in the building. Brian will contact the garden club and meet with representatives of the garden club (including Kathy, a dual board member) and their potential plumbing contractor to find out more details of the project.
5. Our funding request to the town is due in early October. Dave and Bill will work on this in the next few weeks.
6. The board noted with sadness the passing of Ginny Taylor, a key supporter of the QW Libraries, with her husband Ted through their SunUp foundation. Kate will send a note of condolence to Ted.

7. The Northern stage workshops will be held Sept. 23 at noon in Wilder, and Feb. 24 at 7pm in Quechee.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 13 at 5:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.