

**The Cyrenius H. Booth Library Minutes**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**March 20, 2018**

**Present:** Robert Geckle, Amy Dent, William McCarthy, Donna Rahtelli Laura Goldstein, Raymond Irrera, Beth Hamilton, John Reed, Colleen Honan, Matthew Mihalcik, Christene Freedman, Walter Motyka, Thomas D'Agostino, Douglas Lord

**Absent:** Mark Principi, Anne Rothstein

**Guests:** Denise Kaiser

Meeting called to order at 7:05PM by Robert Geckle

**Consideration of Minutes:** Amy Dent motioned to accept the February 13, 2018 minutes. Matthew Mihalcik seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

**Public Participation:** None

**President's Announcements:** Robert Geckle stated that the C.I.P. for 2017-2018 has passed through the Board of Selectman and the Board of Finance. It now sits with the Legislative Council for review.

**Treasurer's Report:** William McCarthy presented the report. He indicated that most of the \$75,000 from the second installment of the Friends has been spent.

**Report of the Library Director:** Douglas Lord reported that the program, The Not-So-Golden Life of the Gilded Age Wife will be presented in the Meeting Room on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7PM. Doug has initiated an inventory of all furniture and pieces in the library that do not involve the archival collections. Its mission is to open up some much needed space. Mr. William Frampton, Fire Marshal, perused the library and pointed out areas of improvement. In April, there will be a reformatted director's report which will be much easier to read and understand. Single stream recycling will begin in April. There will be cross training for library personnel.

**Committee Reports:**

**Governance** – There was no meeting in March, plan to have one in April. As advertised in the newspaper, the Board of Selectman has one unaffiliated position available for the Board of Trustees.

**Development** – Jack Weber has stepped down as the director of the Turkey Trot. John Godin has accepted the position for one year. At this time, the committee is looking for an assistant director who will run it the following year. The form letter is currently being drafted for the 2018 trot. On the wish list for the fundraiser is a software to track donors. The Mad Hatter Spring Event is scheduled for April 28<sup>th</sup> at the Rock Ridge Country Club. Sponsors and wine donations are currently being accepted. The invitation is to be mailed shortly.

**Long Range Planning** – The Committee reported that the new location for the board room needs a larger conference table. Space is of a concern.

**Building and Grounds Committee** – Thomas D’Agostino reported that the C.I.P. funds will be released on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March. The first order of business is the safety of the building.

**Art and History** – The committee reviewed the art collection policy with minor revisions to be presented at the next board meeting. There are possible future grants on the horizon.

**Friends of the Library Liaison** – The preparations have begun for the 2018 Book Sale which is scheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>. The spring donation day is April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Amy Dent. Colleen Honan seconded the motion. All in favor and motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Rahtelli  
Secretary  
C.H. Booth Library Board of Trustees