

**Board of Trustees
Abington Public Library**

Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2013

Called to Order: 6:35 pm

Attendees: Henry DiCarlo, Chairman
Betty Henderson, Vice Chairman
Laura Nuttall, Acting Recording Secretary
Gail Bergin
Gerry Haas
Deborah Grimmer, Library Director

Absent: Jake O'Neill
Will Adamczyk
Kathleen Jones
Christina McMahan

Call to Order

Jake O'Neill was unable to attend the meeting so Laura Nuttall will be Acting Secretary for the night.

Minutes of the Previous Meetings

Copies of the October 7, 2013 meeting were not available to be viewed and voted on. They will be voted on at the next meeting.

Chairman's Report

The Town Manager and the Library Union have agreed on a contract and the Board of Selectmen will be voting on the contract before the Special Town Meeting.

Library Director's Report

Financials-Finances and Statistics look good. Tech supplies budget is a little bit over but the difference can be made up with State Aid.

Programming- Downton Abbey Tea will be January 4, 2014. Curt DiCamillo will give a lecture at 3:00 called Lords, Ladies and Mummies: The Story of Highclere Castle, the Real Downton Abbey. Tea will follow at 4:15. The Lizzy Borden program was well attended with about 40 people in the Copeland Room. The Teen Sword Program had to be cancelled because the presenters got stuck in traffic. It will be rescheduled for some time in December.

Friends-The Friends are very excited about the Downton Abbey Tea.

Other-The staff refrigerator stopped working today. **MOTION to approve the sum of \$450.00 out of State Aid to buy a new refrigerator was made by Gerry, seconded by Gail and accepted unanimously.**

Building Issues

Window cleaning-Deb is looking for a commercial window cleaning company to come in and clean the back windows.

Carpet Cleaning-The carpet will be cleaned November 10, 2013.

Current Library Issues

Old Business

Fall Special Town Meeting Items-Articles 4 and 12 will involve the transfer of money to the FY-2014 Library Budget to avoid the need for a state waiver.

Special Municipal Employee Status-The Selectmen will vote on this issue at a future meeting.

FY15 Action Plan-MOTION to approve the FY15 Action Plan was made by Laura, seconded by Betty and accepted unanimously.

New Business

FY15 Expense Budget-The vote at the Special Town Meeting tonight will determine the FY15 Budget. If the money is appropriated, the Library will be above the MAR of \$458,217.00. The budget has to be submitted before Thanksgiving.

Next Board Meeting will be held:

December 9, 2013-Regular meeting to be posted for 7:00 pm

MOTION to Adjourn to the Special Town Meeting @ 6:52 pm was made by Gerry, seconded by Gail and accepted unanimously.