

**Board of Trustees  
Abington Public Library**

Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2013

Called to Order: 7:05

Attendees: Henry DiCarlo, Chairman  
Betty Henderson, Vice Chairman  
Christina McMahon, Acting Recording Secretary  
Will Adamczyk  
Kathleen Jones  
Gail Bergin  
Gerry Haas  
Deborah Grimmet, Library Director  
Absent: Jake O'Neill  
Laura Nuttall

**I. Call to Order**

Henry called the meeting to order and asked the members of the Board to observe a moment of silence to honor the passing of two dedicated town employees: Joe Colantoni, Veterans' Agent and Mark Chirokas, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation.

**II. Minutes of the previous meeting**

Meeting Minutes from the last meeting were approved. The motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Gerry.

**III. Chairman's Report**

The finalists for the position of Town Manager will be announced at this evening's Selectmen Meeting. Also at this meeting, it is expected that the Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting will be postponed. A meeting of the Trustees will be posted for 4/1 just in case.

**IV. Library Director's Report**

- a) Monthly Financial and Statistical Reports were reviewed
- b) Programming Update – An overnight Library stay is being planned w/ a Percy Jackson theme.
- c) Friends of the Library are getting ready for their annual Book Sale.
- d) Deb & Will attended a retirement party for Robert Maier, Director of the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

## **V. Building Issues**

a) Roof leak in valley over foyer has caused some staining. Deb will get prices paint the entire foyer and the front door based on spec provided by

Christina.

b) Irrigation heads will be redirected away from the rear window.

## **VI. Current Library Issues**

a) Leftover funds from the LSTA On the Same Page Grant will be used to purchase copies of the book for next year's program.

b) The departing town administrator has left no recommendations for the FY14 Budget.

c) The Selectmen have not approved contract for town employees who are union members.

## **VII. Old Business**

a) Library website re-design is receiving rave reviews. The Calendar is very handy, though Deb says she needs more practice on Event Keeper.

b) Staff technology upgrades – 2 new laptops w/ cable locks, new desktops for Circulation and Children's Librarian, 3 new printers and bar scanners – will be paid from Trust Funds.

## **VIII. New Business**

a) Broken Chairs in Children's and Staff Area will not be repaired but replaced.

b) A request for \$2,000 for the Lost Materials revolving fund is on the Town Meeting Agenda.

**IX. Next Meeting Date:** April 8, 2013 @ 7:00.

**X. Adjournment:** @ 8:10. Motion made by Betty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Will.