

**Rye Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes
10 September 2009**

Present: Trustees: Sallie Mackie, Chairman, Victor Azzi, Garry Layman, Karen Oliver, Deborah Genestreti **Guest:** Alex Herlihy (representing the Rye Historical Society).

Sallie called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Rye Historical Society: Alex Herlihy addressed the RPL Board looking for support of the Rye Civic League's revival. Victor felt that due to the political nature of the Civic League that as Board members, it would be inappropriate for the Board to participate. Individual participation would be up to the individual. All agreed. Alex left the meeting at 5:50.

Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes, Correspondence from Sandra Munsey on behalf of Locke Family Association, Donations update, Library Director Reports for July and August and the Youth Director's Reports for July and August were included in the Consent Agenda. No minutes were available for review. As such, this was removed from the consent agenda. Sallie moved to approve all other items. Debbie seconded. All in favor.

Consideration of Financial Report for July 31, 2009 and August 31, 2009: Sallie noted that Fairpoint has disconnected the UNH telephone line previously used to support the RPL email system. Their service should have been discontinued June 1st, 2007. \$3780 will be refunded for this time period.

Fuel Prices: Garry has researched local heating oil rates and has concluded that Hometown Oil has the best rate. He will sign the agreement with them. Hometown Oil will also offer RPL employees a discounted home oil rate.

Furnace Repair: We have two quotes for replacement of the furnace that services the Community Meeting Room. The first is from Granite State, of Weare, NH. To install new with a five year warranty on parts, Granite State would charge \$4100. For the same offer, the second quote from Dowling would be \$3080. The Board members all agreed that before a decision is made, a third quote should be sought from the heating oil provider, Hometown Oil.

Corporate/government account for Library Credit Card: Garry is researching the possibility of opening such an account for RPL use.

Silver Lining Painting: Silver Lining has scheduled painting of part of the outside of the library this fall. Sallie will sign the contract for this work to be done.

Fire Boxes: We have a quote from All Points Systems, Inc. to install the new fire boxes required by the Rye Fire Chief. This money is included in the 2009 budget. Victor moved to go ahead with installation of the boxes. Garry seconded. All voted in favor.

Library Website/Technology Report: Sharon Foster has ideas for updating the RPL website and is preparing a Technology report for future technical acquisitions. The Board requests that she come to the next scheduled Board meeting to present both.

Executive Session: Victor motioned to go into executive session at 6:37pm. Debbie seconded. All in favor. The Board discussed the Director search as well as details about hiring an Interim Director. No decisions were made.

Sallie moved to end executive session at 7:29. Debbie seconded. All were in favor.

Next Scheduled Meetings: The next meeting of the RPL Board of Trustees and the Director Search Committee will be the interview sessions for the new director scheduled for September 18th and 19th, 2009. A follow-up meeting of the Search Committee is scheduled for September 22th, 2009 at 5 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Deborah Genestreti, recorder