

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes October 18, 2023

Attendees: Attendees: Trustees Jack O'Reilly (JO), Alexander Jurach (AJ) Meghann Wayss (MW) (arrived at 4:52), alternate Lillian Wilson (LW), bookkeeper Patricia Sarcione

JO opened the meeting at 4:45

Discussed bench donated by SK and the wording. Board agreed to suggest changes to the wording to mirror the existing bench at the library. Jack will contact Seacoast Memorial so that the engraving is not done until the BOT and Sk can agree on the wording. Alexandra will contact SK to discuss suggested changes (email was sent to SK already tonight, to discuss changes recommended by the BOT).

Patricia (Library's accountant) discussed and answered questions regarding the Library using its own EIN for payroll. She does the accounting for 5 other libraries(Sundown, Plaistow, Seabrook, Sanborn, and another that was nit named) in NH that use their own EIN number. None of them are 501 C, they are subdivided from their municipalities, none of these libraries have had any issues or concerns regarding their tax status, using their own EIN or cause for concern. These libraries all have payroll, retirement, and interest bearing accounts being processed under their own EINs. The BOT reviewed and discussed the letter from the attorney the Library hired.

Jack made a Motion to vote as to whether the Library should take over payroll starting at the beginning of the new year in 2024. Alexandra 2nded. Ted requested a roll call vote. Lillian- yes, Alexandra- yes, Meghann- no, Ted- no, Jack- yes Passed 3-2

Lara obtained 3 quotes and proposals for tree removal of the dead pine tree near the Library parking lot. Lara recommended moving forward with estimate from Burke's which came in at the lowest amount of \$2495, Board felt Burke was a known and reputable company. Meg made a Motion to accept Burke's removal quote. Lillian 2nded. All in favor.

Discussed basement, new electrical breaker and parking lot lights. Ted made a Motion to approve proposal P2133 and amounts totalling \$2650.07 specific to the work to be done in regard to the basement outlet and the parking lot lights. Lillian 2nded. All in favor.

Adjournment At 7:15 it was moved by LW and second by MW to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted Jack O'Reilly