

Approved
JPL Trustee Meeting Minutes
January 6, 2021

Public Meeting opened at 6:35.

Those present: Liz Milligan, Chair, Joy McCorkhill, Library Director, Leslie Seppala, Bette Bovio and Jeanne Kenison.

The November 12 Trustee Meeting minutes were reviewed by trustees. Liz made a motion to accept the minutes as written and seconded by Leslie. All trustees passed the motion.

The treasurer's report was then reviewed by trustees. The saving's account balance as of December 31,2020 was \$5,327.18 and the checking account balance was \$3,131.39. Liz made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Bette and all trustees passed motion.

Joy had no director's report as she had no pending issues.

New Business

Liz read a letter sent to JPL Trustees from Mitchell Municipal Group dated 12/28/2020 stating that an anonymous patron was donating \$500,000.00 to the library. This letter included 2 checks totaling 250,000.00. This is in compliance with RSA 202-A: 4-c, allowing trustees to accept and expend gifts under warrants Article 24 3/8/1994 and Article 17 3/11/1997. Liz made a motion to accept the anonymous donation for \$250,000.00 to JPL as half of the stated \$500,000.00 donation, which will be paid in full by the end of 2021. With this donation, trustees have agreed to name the library after the donor's deceased husband. The trustees understand that the name of the donor's spouse will be revealed with the final donation. Bette seconded the motion and all trustees passed the motion.

Liz wants the minutes to reflect 2 closed non-public meetings in pursuant of RSA 91-A:3,II (d) February 24,2020 with trustees and March 2,2020 with trustees and TOJ Select board.

Liz made a motion for Leslie to pick up the envelop from the town office to make an appointment with Passumpsic bank to discuss options for deposit of this portion of the donation in an appropriate account. Leslie seconded the motion and all trustees passed the motion.

Joy said that she will write a thank you note to the Akerman family for a donation of

\$2,500.00 to Friends of the JPL in support of programs sponsored by the library.

Joy had applied for a Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries Implementation Grant and received it. The \$3,000.00 grant was received and \$1,200.00 will be spent on community conversation on what people want in the library. The break down is \$400 for staff time, \$240 for zoom license, \$200 for community incentive and \$360 for Hot Spot through MHEC.

The remaining \$1,800 will be used based on the prioritizing the outcomes of the conversation. Ideas may include institutional membership in historical society to better serve partnership; advertising to promote services, resources, hours; community space needs; education; technology resources; collection development.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42.

Jeanne Kenison
Secretary