

Peterborough Town Library Board of Trustees

Draft Minutes

March 19, 2020

Meeting called to order: 6:10 pm

Trustees Present: Marcia Patten (Chair), Laura Hanson (Secretary), Karen Struthers (Treasurer), Ron Bowman, Ron Drogy, Greg Kriebel & Deb Caplan (alternate)

Others Present: Corinne Chronopoulos (Library Director), Ron McIntire (1833 Society), Tina Kriebel (1833 Society), & Audrey White (1833 Society)

Minutes from February 20, 2020 meeting accepted with changes. LH, RB

January 31, 2020 Treasurer's report approved. RB, LH

Director's Report Highlights

The library has been closed to all in-library visits, but continues to offer curbside pick-ups. Virtual programming has taken the place of in-library programming and has proved popular with patrons. The library is also offering a "print on demand" service.

In coordination with the town, Corinne has cut back to a "bare bones" staff and currently only two librarians are in the building at any one time. All other town employees are working virtually from home. She is confident that there is enough work to keep the staff busy.

There was a lengthy discussion about the pro's and con's of continuing curbside book delivery. It was decided to continue the service until at least Friday, 3/27 and extend the return book deadline to the end of April. The Board authorized Corinne and Mary Hubbard to make a decision about whether or not to offer curbside delivery after 3/27. The hours of curbside delivery are 10 am to 4 pm.

Motion to accept the Director's Report. RB, LH Motion Passed

1833 Society Report

Ron McIntire reported for the 1833 Society that the capital campaign has to raise \$443,000 and they have a plan to raise the final funds. The project is out to bid with Harvey Construction and they should have the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) by April 1st. The project financing is moving forward and the committee are pursuing some innovative strategies.

The Jim Grant fund is at \$10,000 and the committee needs to raise \$15,000 to meet their \$25,000 goal. Deb Caplan has proposed that the committee offer a challenge grant that for every dollar raised, the Trustees will match two dollars. The Trustees were in favor of the challenge grant.

Motion to move \$10,000 from the Trustees unrestricted funds account at Charter Trust to People's United Bank for the purpose of supporting the Jim Grant Matching Challenge. RB, LH Motion passed

Old Business

Meeting Room Policy – Discussion moved to April's Board meeting

Motion to adjourn made at 7:15 PM RB, LH

Next meeting: Thursday, April 16th at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted, Laura Hanson