Minutes of the October 9, 2019 Meeting

Present: Karen Herman, Marilyn Santagati, Mark Yanowitz, John Hess, Laurence Lamagna, Carolyn Fantini, and Barbara McNamara

Minutes: The Minutes of the September 11, 2019 meeting, as amended, moved by John Hess and seconded by Mark Yanowitz, were approved.

Treasurer’s Report: The Treasurer’s Report as of September 30, 2019, moved by John Hess and seconded by Mark Yanowitz, was accepted.

Public Comments: None

Director’s Report:

- Building information—The bids are in on new generators. This is a huge project that the Town will finance. The Level 1 bathroom project is still on hold. The CIP for the Library is $35,000. Barbara informed the Board that Samantha’s Garden planted the new perennials at the front door.
  The Trustees agreed that scarecrows would be allowed in front of the Library, participating in the annual event.
  Mark would like a survey to be done on the north side of the building as the Trustee Landscape Committee has an interest in developing that space. He will meet with Chris Huntress.
  Karen will look into the periodic up lighting for the Old Town Hall and the Library.

- Service—MVLC is working on 3 new initiatives; a mobile app, linking family cards together and auto-renewal.

- Staff information—The Library has a new weekend custodian. Trustees may be asked to fund Staff professional development courses.

New Business: Photography and Filming Policy
The Board voted unanimously to suspend the current policy until further review.

Old Business:

- Lower Lobby—After much discussion, the Board voted unanimously, as moved by Laurence Lamagna and seconded by Mark Yanowitz, to commission Mark Davis to create a painted kinetic art piece for the Lower Lobby. The mobile would be financed from the full amount that the Bell Fund will permit and the balance to come from the Trustees Fund not to exceed $30,000 in total, as defined by the scope of the work in the contract.
  Installation will be a coordinated effort including: Architect Brett Thibault, Artist Mark Davis, and the project manager for the Town.

- Washington painting restoration—The cost would be $5700-$6000. This project will be put on hold while Karen researches available grants. Mark will look into design grants for public buildings.

- Holiday lighting—The Board approved $1200 for holiday lighting as moved by John Hess and seconded by Mark Yanowitz.

Adjournment at 5:30pm
The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 4pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Fantini