

# George H. Stowell Library Cornish NH Trustee Meeting Minutes

Date: 9 November 2021  
Time: 6:00 pm  
Location: Library

Members:

Present (Note the # required for quorum)			Absent
Laura Cousineau	Kathi Patterson	Richard Scheuer	
Stephanie McAndrew, librarian	Colleen O'Neill, citizen		

Agenda	Discussion	Tasks/Conclusion	Responsibility
<i>Call to order</i>	6:00 pm		
<i>Approval of October 25 Minutes</i>	Minutes reviewed	Minutes approved	
<i>Treasurer's Report</i>	\$10, 363.88 current balance \$277.17 legal bill from town counsel Expenses spreadsheet as of 11/10/21 distributed. Note that some library assistants return their pay and Janitor services are donated.	Report accepted	
<i>Librarian's Report</i>	Halloween saw over 100 children at the Library. 75 books were given away; these were by donated Sandy Guess Up to 34 new patrons, according to KOHA records. Visits will be totaled at the end of the year. More books are circulating, especially children's book. Request to have hold shelf. Kathi can lend labeler as needed. Upcoming events: 2 Craft, puzzle swap led by the Friends.	Shelf will be set up to the left of the fireplace	Stephanie
<i>Old Business</i>	1. Review of meeting notes. Discussion of next steps. Discussion of inventory of non-cash assets. Richard spoke H	Get current report on NH Libraries staffing and salaries.	Stephanie

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<p>1. <i>Exploratory Committee progress</i></p> <p>2. <i>Banwell contract</i></p>	<p>historic society chair: they do not want another. \$4,000 annually for heat and electricity for current building. Grants may be available for some tasks. New grant received to hire someone to digitize collection of newspaper articles about Cornish, purchase a scanner; help from John Dryfhout from New Hampshire Humanities Council.</p> <p>Discussion: should we have a warrant article to spend \$70,000 In capital reserve? No conclusion.</p> <p>Discussion on budget request from the Exploratory Committee. Should be limited in scope, as much unknown.</p> <p>2. Contract from Banwell was discussed. Need for the Trustees to appoint a building committee. Could include members of the Interior/Exterior subcommittee as well as the Librarian and some or all of the Trustees.</p>	<p>Consult budget planner</p> <p>Motion to accept contract as mailed, with Richard as chair of Trustees to sign and return. Transfer money from building to checking</p>	<p>Laura</p> <p>Richard to sign Kathi to fax signed contract. Kathi</p>
<p><i>New Business</i></p> <p>1. <i>Disposition of the current library building</i></p> <p>2. <i>Begin development of 2022 budget</i></p>	<p>Postponed until the next meeting.</p> <p>Work on 2022 budget will continue at next meeting.</p>	<p>Find out what it cost for heat/electricity in other town building to use in new building budget</p>	<p>Laura</p>
<i>Other Business</i>	Spending remaining funds in budget discuss	Buy necessities for Library	Stephanie
<i>Next Meeting Date</i>	Thursday, December 9, at 6:00 pm		
Meeting adjourned at: 8:13 pm			

Submitted by:  Laura K. Cousineau, trustee

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