

## DRAFT MINUTES/APPROVED

North Haven Memorial Library Board Meeting  
Thursday, March 21, 2013

### *Minutes*

Attendance: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Michael Fletcher at 7:30pm.

Present: Lois Baldini, Ruth Bryant, Paul Colella, Patricia Dortenzio, Michael Fletcher, John Graef, Peter McPhedran, Jeanne Saldanha. (Mary Ann Santora, Secretary)

Absent: Kimberly Carew, Mary Anne Hardy, Erin MacDonnell.

1. Approval of Minutes of Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013. Michael Fletcher asked that the minutes be approved, motion by Paul Colella, seconded by Ruth Bryant.
2. Financial Statement: Michael Fletcher asked that the financial statement be accepted; motion by Ruth Bryant, seconded by Paul Colella.
3. Old Business: None.
4. New Business: Director's Report:
  - a. Budget – Public Hearing for the budget will be Tuesday, April 9 at 7 pm at the High School auditorium. The town meeting to set the date for the referendum will be May 13, at the High School at 7 pm and the referendum will be May 21<sup>st</sup> during the regular polling hours. This year all voting will be at the Rec Center. This will be for the Referendum only.
  - b. We have been told to expect a lean year. We have been asked to spend very cautiously and to make essential purchases only. I have been given permission to spend the grant and reimbursable lines and we are carefully spending the book budget as well as AV. It is a fine line because we really only have two arbitrary lines. We will keep track and report any money that we feel may not be spent in the other lines that have to do with the building. There is usually left over money in the utilities.
  - c. We have received the money left in the LEAP treasury. The check was for a little over \$12,000. It has been put into the General Fund. We did keep out a few thousand for the final audit which is being conducted now so there may still be a little coming, but not much.
  - d. As you may have seen on your way into the building, the snow guards are being installed. They started on the first day of Spring. The wheels have ground very slowly on this one. We hope they are successful but are happy to say that we will wait until next year to find out. The project is being overseen by our Building Inspector and will have to be approved by him when they are done.
  - d. Summer programs are set for the most part. The reading club is under construction. Patti is asking for junk of all sorts. She will put up a list soon.

There is still no word on the lobby lights. I brought the matter to the attention of the First Selectman and have expressed my displeasure with the company that services us. He is looking into it.

e. There will be a disbursement of the funds from the Sergeant estate at the beginning of April. There is no word on how much there will be.

g. Local author program this Saturday. Paul Colella will be one of the authors in attendance.

f. Ben Haven Rosenberg House residents are looking for full or part time jobs. One of the residents volunteers at the library and has been doing so for several years but the paying jobs that the residents had at Seton Name Plate are no longer available due to its closing. If anyone knows or hears of something suitable please let them know.

5. The next scheduled meeting will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. Peter McPhedran moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Jeanne Saldanha.