Minutes of Tuftonboro Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting
March 10, 2016

FINAL
Present: Trustees: Gordon Hunt, Paul Matlock and Mary Ann Murray, Alternate Trustee : Marsha Hunter
Director: Christie Sarles Guest: Guy Pike

Meeting called to order at 8:40 AM

1. Public Comment: Guy Pike had some kind words for the Library and, he and his wife made a generous contribution to the Library Building Fund. The Trustees were most grateful and felt encouraged by this gesture.

2. Minutes: February minutes were approved with the change of the word “set” to “received”, in the treasurer’s report item B. immediately after “has been”.

3. Treasurer’s Report: A. Treasurer’s report was accepted as presented. B. The auditor has the files still and Marsha will update the HOPPIN when the files are returned.

4. Librarian’s Report: A. February circulation is ahead of January. B. Hoopla is going well and audio books comprise the majority of items circulated. C. Christie has been asked to serve on the Senior Services Library Services committee by the State Library. She has agreed to do this. C. The Trustee’s Conference is to be held on May 23rd and Mary Ann and Paul will be attending. Mary Ann suggested that we invite 2 or 3 Friends of the Library to attend as there are several appropriate sessions for Friends. MOTION: A motion was made to subsidize up to 3 members of the Friends to attend the conference. Motion passed 3-0. ACTION: Christie will call Shannon to choose the attendees. D. Transparent Language is now available online. E. Messages are coming in regarding the telescope and although it is not here yet, it should be coming soon. F. Christie is adding to the collection, sky guides and astronomy books at all reading levels to be ready when the telescope comes. G. The meeting room had only 5 open dates in February and several days with two groups sharing the space and one day when 5 different groups accessed the space. H. The Photography Club is on display this month. The comment was made that they seem to get better each year. I. John Levesque was in with an update on his progress on replacing the sign on the front of the Library. There was a question of the date that is currently on the sign and it was decided to leave change the date to 1839 when the Library actually began to function. The date on the current sign is when the Town received the $300 to start the Library. J. Jack Parsons was over to inspect the parking lot and see what could be done about the pot holes. He said they will subsidise. More work will be needed in the near future. K. Questions have been raised about having the Library as a site for tax preparation assistance, however there are already programs in Moultonborough and Ossipee and unless Tuftonboro can provide a volunteer it would not be possible at this time to get this service at the Library. L. The appropriate length of time has passed for the rightful owner to step forward for the property found in a donated book and the property now reverts to the Library. MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to donate the found property to the Tuftonboro Old Homes Day Fund. Motion passed 3-0

5. New Business: A. Gordon asked if the Trustees would like to keep the organization of the board the same and all agreed to remain in the same positions. Mary Ann noted that she would like to be the secretary for only one more year. B. Marsha noted that Sandy Bushman’s term as an alternate had expired. ACTION: Gordon will speak with Sandy.

6. Old Business: A. Capital Campaign Committee will begin meeting in April when Laureen Hadley returns from Florida. There are 10 folks currently willing to serve on the committee. B. The Town Closure Policy will be followed in most instances but the Trustees will reserve the right to use their discretion regarding closures.

Meeting adjourned @ 9:45 AM
Next meeting: April 14, 2016 @ 8:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Murray