Selectmen: Dan Kimble, Ed Haskell
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow
Library Trustees: Tom Wallace, Leina Smoker, Roger Daniels
Librarian: Susan Turbyne
Public: Janice Mulherin

The meeting was opened at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Haskell.

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the wording for the Warrant Article pertaining to the Library Addition and Alterations.

Tom Wallace reported on the Library Trustees’ meeting held last Wednesday, January 14th.

1. They met with contractors from CCI – total project cost has been lowered by $34,000 leaving the final cost at $270,000. Trustees are retaining 10% for contingency.

2. The Trustees main goal in 2014 was to come in at the 2015 Town Meeting with an amount lower than 2014, and they have.

3. Tom said he and Janice are working on several grants; however, the outcome of those applications probably will not be known by Town Meeting.

4. Roger reported at their meeting that the Selectmen would like to see the funding for the project be done through a bond or note to lessen the financial impact on residents. Tom said he understands their reasons; however, they are concerned about getting the required 2/3 majority. They were hoping to take care of it in one year which would require just a majority vote, not the 2/3 majority.

5. The Board said they do support the project but would not be able to put their recommendation in writing unless the funding is through a bond or note, preferably over 2-5 years. Although Cheryl was not able to be at the meeting, she did pass on through a phone conversation that she, too, supports the project but only through the bond or note funding over a 2-5 year span.

6. After some discussion, Janice suggested including a second warrant article, “if Article 2 fails” giving the other option to taxpayers of the majority vote with the financial impact happening in just one year, this year. The Selectmen could also change their position and recommend this second article.

7. Following further discussion, everyone present agreed to include a second warrant article and will be voted on “if Article 2 fails”.

This part of the meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Selectmen – Reviewed the minutes from the Board’s meeting last week at the Rumney Rocks’ site with Frank and Steve Lindsey. Steve Lindsey submitted a set of minutes from the meeting; however, the Board disagreed with some of the comments. Cheryl made the corrections. At Frank’s recommendation, Ed and Dan also removed the last paragraph that referred to the “rocks in the ditch line.”.

Anne will make the changes and forward the revised minutes to Mr. Lindsey.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Dow, Administrative Assistant