

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chair Matt Lowrie in the Clafin Room. Present were Trustees Elaine Alligood, Mark Carthy, and Mary Keenan and Director Maureen Conners. Trustees Matt Sullivan and Sarah Philipps were absent.

Discussion:

Trustee Carthy asked if the memo relating to the library's concerns regarding the Facilities Coordination Committee had been sent. Yes – Director Conners has sent it to Selectman Paolillo and Adam Dash.

Director Conners reviewed the maintenance items underway. The front entrance painting work will go out for bid soon. The June Amnesty program has begun with boxes in the schools – a sandwich board will also be placed to advertise this.

The YA librarian Ellen Girouard opened the Assembly Room for high school students for two afternoons as students prepared for exams; snacks were provided.

Old Business:

Chair Lowrie reviewed the Field Meeting:

This committee is the C-MAG group – the Combined MegaAwesome Group.

Keep the softball field in same area as it is lighted. If a softball (spring) and practice (fall) fields could be kept, only one season would be lost. Set-back requirements for the field are in Stewart Roberts' drawing. If the trucks are moved to the Incinerator site, the field on Concord Avenue could slide over a bit and thus fit. Even with this, the softball field fence has to be removed. Lighting, used only for the Recreation League, would have to be removed each season. Perhaps a permanent type of lighting could be found. Softball field could go on Concord Avenue and Recreation field at the Incinerator site. Costs: 3 hours per day trainer and transportation. Selectman Paolillo feels costs are manageable. Could synthetic fields be installed at the Incinerator site?

Correction: Chair Lowrie did not say that the library would pay transportation costs to the Incinerator site, but rather than all operating costs for all aspects of this program must be approved at the same time.

The next C-MAG meeting will be held on June 20th at 7 p.m.

Timing:

There could be a Buidling committee appointed by the Moderator of Town Meeting in Nov 2012 and appropriate funds would accompany this. There could be a vote on land at the November town meeting should the School Committee sign off. There would a debt exclusion in the spring of 2013 or the fall of 2013. Trustees should aim for a vote in November 2012 as a likely target.

The Belmont Library Foundation (BLF) is meeting on Monday, June 11, at Scott Ferson's house at #83 School Street at 7 p.m. Trustees have been invited; Chair Lowrie is doing an update at this meeting.

Minutes for the meeting of May 16, 2012 were unanimously approved on a motion by Trustee Alligood, seconded by Trustee Carthy.

The next meeting of the Trustees will be on July 10th at 7p.m.

Chair Lowrie called for an Executive session with the reason to discuss union negotiations; all subjects that will be discussed cannot be discussed outside of Executive Session. The regular meeting will not reconvene; adjournment will follow Executive Session. The roll call vote to move into executive session is as follows:

Trustee Carthy – Yes, Trustee Keenan – Yes, Trustee Alligood – Yes, Chair Lowrie – Yes. The meeting moved into Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary E. Keenan, secretary