

## Minutes of the January 8, 2020 Meeting

**Present:** Karen Herman, Laurence Lamagna, John Hess, Mark Yanowitz, Tony Straceski, Marilyn Santagati, Barbara McNamara, Clare Curran-Ball, and Carolyn Fantini

**Minutes:** **The Minutes of the December 11, 2019 meeting were approved as moved by Mark Yanowitz and seconded by Tony Straceski.**

**Treasurer's Report:** **The Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2019 was accepted as moved by Tony Straceski and seconded by Mark Yanowitz.**

**Public Comments:** None

### Director's Report:

- **Building information – Work has begun on the Lower Lobby project. The electrical work will be done by Andover Electrical and the painting by Fox Painting. The horizontal lighting is scheduled to arrive in mid-February.**

In order to have a Staff presence for monitoring teens, a new desk has been installed on the Ground floor.

- **Programs– MHL has initiated a “Winter Reading” program to encourage reading of topics that expand horizons.**

The Library also has begun a series of programs called “Elect To Connect” that focus on community topics that bring people together without technology.

- **Town**  
Barbara informed the Board that the deadline for the preliminary budget for the Library had to be received by the Town by December 27, 2019. This deadline was met.

### Assistant Director Report:

- **Clare discussed the 2020 Author Series. Janet Blum will speak on January 28<sup>th</sup>. The Series will continue with Peter Swanson and Paul Tremblay scheduled for March 5<sup>th</sup>. April 10<sup>th</sup> author Hank Philipi Ryan is the host and April 16 MHL welcomes Jane Healy. The Friends have donated to the budget for this series.**

**Old Business:** The McArdle Foundation has donated \$1000 for the restoration of the George Washington painting.

**New Business:** The Page Scholarships Event will take place on Wednesday, May 20, 2020.

**Adjournment at 5 pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 4 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Carolyn Fantini