

MINUTES OF BLAISDELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY PUBLIC HEARING

July 31, 2024

Trustees Present: Jen Phillips, Debbie Ricker, Kate Ver Ploeg, Lynn Soucie, Karyn Quinn
(Alternate)

Others Present: none present

Members of Public: none present

The public hearing was called to order at 7:00PM.

This public hearing is being held to accept the bequest from the estate of Walter G. Smith in the amount of One Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$156,576.43) to the Blaisdell Memorial Library.

Jen Phillips spoke briefly of Mr. Smith for those present. Mr. Smith was an avid reader who devoured horror and science fiction novels, and routinely exhausted any new materials in the collection. Over the years, Mr. Smith frequently mentioned his affection for the library, specifically noting that it was one of the places in town that he felt most at home.

Jen Phillips opened the meeting for five minutes for public comments. No public comments were received during this time.

Kate Ver Ploeg moved to accept the bequest, and Lynn Soucie seconded the motion.

Roll call vote to accept the bequest:

Jen Phillips:	Yes
Kate Ver Ploeg:	Yes
Lynn Soucie:	Yes
Debbie Ricker:	Yes

Motion PASSED unanimously.

Discussion followed on how to best honor Mr. Smith's memory, and in keeping with his wishes.

Jen moved to adjourn, and the meeting ended at 7:14PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Ricker

Approved on August 29, 2024