Welcome visitors: New Board Member, Deborah Watson, a region 10 guidance counselor was introduced and welcomed.

Minutes: September 10, 2013. Hierl moved that minutes be approved. This was seconded by Ragaisis and carried.

TAC business: Catie Jennetta reported that attendance was small at the last meeting. 1) Group will attend 'Hunger Games' movie in November 2013. 2) A book discussion group is forming. High School and Middle School students will be invited. 3) Committee reviewed and critiqued new building plan. Jennetta shared this input with the board in the addition discussion.

Director’s report: Library plans for an addition with Barbara Joslin/ JCJ Architecture were reviewed and discussed 1) Joslin did a presentation – she provided history of project: project began with a meeting with the BPL staff to understand the goals and needs of the addition; Floor plan options were reviewed. A lively discussion ensued with much input regarding specific library areas. Once the grant funding is approved, Joslin will work with the board/staff to come up with the best space allocation. The general consensus is that, in it’s current schematic form, the addition is rendered around the library collection (with, i.e. children’s space, receiving the greatest share). The architect agreed. The board/staff will define what the goals/needs are and work within the parameters/logistics to work through changes. Overall, impressions are favorable and optimistic. 2) Budget- fiscal year to date budget was reviewed: Approx. $223,000 remains.; 3) Statistics- July 2013 was a banner month for the library with both circulation and attendance very high; August and September 2013 are down somewhat. As compared to other libraries, this is a consistent trend. 4) Programs: October 2013 will be a busy month at the BPL. A highlight will be a “Meet the Candidates” Program on Friday, 10/18 at 6:30pm to include both the 1st Selectman and Board of Selectmen candidates at the BPL. Tom Monahan will moderate. Volunteers will be needed.

Building: Punchlist: 1) curb and cement steps in back and front of BPL need to be repaired. Marie will speak with Scott/Town Hall. 2) Gutters also need to be cleaned.

Ongoing business: Slate of officers for November 2013. Mazeau/VP, Winter/Treasurer, Troiani/Secretary. We need a president or a co-president team.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 5, 7:30 pm

Adjournment: 9:47pm.

Respectfully submitted.

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Recording Secretary