

Trustees of North Hampton Public Library

237 A Atlantic Avenue
North Hampton, NH 03862

Minutes of February 15, 2012

- I. Call to Order: Peter Parker, John Kollmorgen, Kelly Parrott and Susan Grant Library Director were present. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
- II. Approval of Minutes: The meeting minutes from February 9, 2012 were reviewed and accepted.
- III. New Business
 - a. Notification of Intent: We discussed the need to speak to the Select Board to inquire about acquiring the land on Atlantic and Aspen. Kelly Parrott will email Jim Maggiore to determine if there is an official process and the dates for upcoming Select Board meetings. Peter prepared a draft motion which we discussed. We would anticipate at the Select Board meeting to provide an outline with supporting documentation on our proposed building process.
 - b. 501c3 Status: Peter provided an update from speaking with Terry Knowles from the NH Attorney General's office on whether or not the library should apply to become a tax-exempt / charitable organization. This requires that the organization must be organized and operated exclusively for exempt purposes set forth in section 501(c)(3), and none of its earnings may inure to any private shareholder or individual. Organizations described in section 501(c)(3) are eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions.

There is a lengthy application and a cost of to file, estimated at \$750.00. It was determined that Peter would contact Lee Library and Kelly would contact Durham Library to investigate their building committees and whether or not they were 501(c)(3) and the advantages and disadvantages.
 - c. Library Building Consultants: It was agreed that the next step in our process is to select a Library Building Consultant. Susan has several names from other library initiatives that she will provide and we will discuss at our future meeting. We would produce a detailed RFP for any potential consultant.
- IV. Meeting Adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm. All trustees and the Library Director went to the Budget Committee meeting to speak on the proposed 2012 Budget. The next Trustees' meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 8, 2011 at 5:30pm.**