Libbie Cass Library  Trustees meeting September 24, 2020  Minutes

Meeting called to order Maryanne Petrin  10am  Protectworth Room

Attendance.  Maryanne Petrin, Joyce Guinther, Gregory Bruss Trustees
Alt Trustee Annika Munholand  Selectman Dick Hendl  Head Librarian Laura Pauling

Agenda  moved seconded and accepted
Minutes from previous meeting accepted

Treasures Report handout available per request at Library main desk.
Based on best current interest rates Joyce renewed CD for 8 month period amount $20,395.03
at .45% to be up for renewal reconsideration May 21, 2021.

Selectman’s report Dick informed us that the Consolidated trucks are already upgrading for
high speed wifi and should be completed around mid December.  A website containing
information on hook up and subscription should be available about mid October.
The new lift in the Town Hall should be certified for use soon and the prospective dedication
date is 9/30 also viewable via Zoom due to restricted numbers allowed.

New Business
Motion by Maryanne Petrin to clarify lending of the new sound system. Seconded Joyce  3-0 yes
Moved:  The Library sound system will only be loaned out to Town of Springfield affiliated
organizations.  Example Historical Society, Fire Dept , Selectman, for town wide events.

Librarian report  Laura reported on the new program offering which is open for sign up thru
the website that combines monthly book reading with art project.  A Graphic Novel Book Club
grades 1st-5th will be offered. Due to Covid there will be no in school offering.
Still have about $179 in the Kanopy account use remains steady at about 4-5 patrons a month.
Large Book donation of current popular hard covers… may sell duplicates or unneeded books or
donate to area libraries that may need them.

Discussion was opened up about the feasibility of holding some kind of book sale fund raiser.
Not something that should be run by the Library staff or Trustees but could if interested in
picking it up be undertaken by a group such as the Friends of the Library. General consensus
lots of work and time commitment for little return

The Meeting adjourned 10:40am

A brief visit down to the New Hampshire room occurred after adjournment to facilitate
brainstorming ideas for the future direction and clarification of responsibility for and access to
the collection after it is inventoried and rearranged for the appropriate collection of materials.
Progress being made towards some kind of memorandum of understanding between the
Library trustees and the Historical Society to finally settle issues that at this point are unclear

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Gregory Bruss