

## Keene Public Library

### Building and Grounds Committee

#### Meeting held September 16 at 10:00 AM (DRAFT)

Members present: Susan Bloom, Paul Henkel, Scott Martin, Kathleen Packard, Sally Rinehart, Justin Somma and Library Director Marti Fiske

#### **A behavior problem is being addressed.**

Marti advised that there has been problem behavior by a homeless person as well as by one resident of Hampshire House, the boarding house next door. The homeless person was advised they cannot continue to camp overnight on the library porches. During ensuing discussions there was inappropriate and heated argumentative behavior. There was also racial harassment of a library user approaching to use the Library. The City Manager is supporting Marti in managing the situation. Hampshire House management has been advised. Police have issued a no trespassing notice. (The last such trespassing notice issued at the library was about four years ago, before Marti came on board.)

**Landscaping** – The access ramp walls and like areas on Winter Street are now white and it all looks good. Windows in the courtyard have been cleaned. Care has been taken to assure the area is looking especially good for the upcoming wedding reception.

**Tree replacement** – Andrew Bohannon has been asked to order the replacement pink flowering crabapple tree to again be located near the SE corner of the library. Andy will report the tree variety so the variety can be included on the Kenneth Jue plaque.

**Tree Plaques** - A replacement plaque for the Maple tree dedicated to Jean and John Hoffman has been ordered.

A plaque dedicated to Kenneth Jue has been authorized by the Board. It will be paid for by donations from individual Trustees.

As previously reported, vendors for the bronze and granite portions of two proposed tree plaques are as follows. Vendor for the metal portion: Partners In Recognition, Inc., 405 S. Main St. Ft. Laramie, OH 45845 937-420-2150 [kris@gopir.com](mailto:kris@gopir.com) 4" x 3" plaque \$212.32 each (+ shipping). There will also be a \$75 one-time art charge added to the above to produce the required vector logo.

Vendor for the granite portion: Peterborough Marble & Granite Works, LLC 72 Concord St. Peterborough, NH 03458 (603)-924-3114 [PMGW1849@yahoo.com](mailto:PMGW1849@yahoo.com) The cost for two pieces of granite 8" x 7" x 4" with a polished top and plaques installed is \$265. (\$132.50 ea)

Total cost for tree plaques s \$369.82 each

**Safety** – Scott Martin reported in an earlier meeting that door and sign safety improvements required by the State of NH fire safety inspector cost the City about \$12,000. All parts are on order and due for October. The so-called crash exit door hardware was a major part of this expense. One improvement will be providing a directional exit sign in the corridor west of Cohen Hall, so the egress path is clear.

In addition, a complex and costly \$30K to \$40K intercom system for each of the “areas of refuge” is required by the state fire marshal. Funding for this may need to wait until the next City capital improvement plan.

There is a low contrast variation in riser height in Cohen Hall where tripping could occur.

**Update:** Staff has on hand portable stanchions and velvet ropes to put in place as indicated by the event.

There are low profile wooden guides along the floor at the entrances to the Putnam Atrium that may be a tripping hazard. **Update:** Staff is implementing magnetic sign stands so that they guide people away from the ends.

**Utility Costs** are running over budget. This limits budget discretion in other areas.

**Equipment for Heberton Hall** – Nik Morton has advised that improved ventilation and/or cooling is needed for the AV equipment.

**It was voted unanimously to recommend the Board purchase the following equipment.**

Allen & Heath Qu-16C Rack mountable Digital Mixer (Chrome Edition) - \$2,400

To replace the mixer on loan that needs to be returned soon.

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3x Wireless Microphone Combos - \$550

This Sennheiser XSW 2 Wireless Combo System with Handheld Mic and Senal Ear set Mic from B&H is a wireless microphone system that includes both a handheld mic and a black ear set mic for a hands-free option.

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Kopul Premium Performance 3000 Series Neutrik XLR Male to XLR Female Microphone Cable (3', Red) - \$14

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1x Surge Protector - \$21

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1x Audio adapter (Male XLR) - \$8

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1x Audio adapter (Female XLR) - \$8

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Paul Henkel, Chair