

**Ashby Free Public Library  
Trustees Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, July 22, 2010**

Meeting convened at 7:10 pm

Present: John Mickola, Dwight Horan, Anne Manney, Mary O’Friel, Martha Morgan,  
Director Mary Murtland.

**June Minutes: MOTION to Accept Minutes, seconded, UA<sup>1</sup>.**

Next meeting-Discuss how director’s review will be placed on a secure website for  
Board members only.

**Scholarship Committee Report**

There were 22 applicants for scholarships. List was given to BOT secretary for files.

Checks came from Matt Alford that were delivered to him (former treasurer) by T. D.  
Bank for Marston Fund and Marston Lyman Brooks Fund. These checks have been  
deposited for scholarships.

**MOTION to Accept Scholarship Committee Report, seconded, UA.**

**Director’s Report:**

Director’s Report submitted separately.  
No Action Items.

Have purchased books for the Summer Reading Program.

Applying for another grant from the Greater Lowell Community Foundation (GLCF) for  
\$5,000. Grant titled “Art and History on Display at the AFPL.” The grant would allow  
us to display historical items and also art work in display cases. Artists want to display  
items (other than wall paintings/ hangings), but there is no safe place to do so. Mary  
O’Friel stated that we need to be consistent in having someone to manage the  
displays.

No action items.

**MOTION to Accept Director’s report, seconded, UA.**

**Staining Update:**

John received a bid for \$7,975 for a solid color stain from Niklaus Painting and  
Contracting. This is the lowest bid for the job. Color is to be a tan/brown, close to the  
color of the larger bricks on the front of the building. Staining will be paid for by the

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<sup>1</sup> U.A.: Unanimous Approval.

AFPL FUND (\$3,000) and the renovation project (which has remaining funds for the project). Stain will be dark enough to cover gray staining/ discoloration, and may take care of the graffiti at the back of the building.

### **Chapman Service Award**

John M. proposes September 11<sup>th</sup> for the awarding of the first “Chapman Service Award;” 1 p.m.; light refreshments to be served. Press release to be sent out a couple of weeks in advance. A formal invitation will be sent to family and interested parties.

### **New Open Meeting Law**

Agenda items must be posted at least 48 hours before the BOT meeting, in a public place. Agenda items will be posted at the elevator entrance glass door at the back of the Town Hall. This is a well-lit area.

Adjourn 7:51 pm