Hudson Falls Free Library - DRAFT September 23, 2013

The September 23, 2013 meeting of the Hudson Falls Free Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President Michael Herman at 7:10 pm.

Library Trustees present were: Robert Rose, Lester Losaw, Kathy Thompson, Ann Francato, Mary Ann Stevens, Linda Kennedy, Michael Herman, Arlene Baker and Michael Mercure.

There were no trustees absent.

## Old Business:

President Michael Herman brought us up to date with progress on the windows. Our window repair man, Jerry Walkup, re-assessed the bottom row of window panes as being in worse shape than originally thought. They require some additional work including the window above the door and the trim around the door and the door need repair and paint and requested any additional \$300.00 to complete this.

A motion was made by Arlene Baker to authorize payment for this additional work on the windows and seconded by Kathy Thompson and so carried by all present. Lester Losaw will cut another check for this amount.

## **New Business:**

Michael Herman read a letter from employee Debbie VanGuilder's son, Ben, expressing his dismay and concern over the continuing abusive and profane phone calls being received by the Library. Michael will call him to address his concerns over this matter.

Michael Herman spoke with the Hudson Falls Police regarding the profanity laced phone calls, worrisome e-mails and letters being received by the Library, staff and Board members so they would be aware of any potential trouble.

The planned training session by SALS that was to take place the previous Friday, 9/20/13, had to be cancelled due to the communication received indicating that the fringe group "Captain America" planned to picket the Library that day. Fortunately that did not take place and Michael Herman will reschedule the SALS training for the near future.

Michael Herman requested a motion to begin our Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Ann Francato made a motion to do so and Linda Kennedy seconded the motion and it was so carried by all members present.

There were no votes with discussion only during executive session.

A motion to exit Executive Session and end the meeting was made by Michael Mercure and seconded by Kathy Thompson and so carried by all members present.

The meeting was adjourned a 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Ann Stevens, Secretary