

Emma L. Andrews Library and Community Center

Regular meeting August 21, 2014

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm. Susan Chase, Donna Conway and Elizabeth Valeriani were present. Minutes of the July 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Donna Conway seconded by Susan Chase.

Peter Lombardi sent a message stating that he would have a financial report available tomorrow and that the Newburyport Public Library will remove the voice mail message stating that the Emma Andrews Library and Community Center is closed. The NPL will have their vendor change the erroneous message next week. It has been two months since the initial complaint by a patron. Mike Bartlett is getting quotes for work on the two small roofs because of ongoing leaks that have been temporarily fixed.

Donna Conway reported from the Emma Andrews Association that building use by the public continues to be high. Summer programs for children were well attended with 40 children attending the final event, a summer social for children and their families, with frozen yogurt provided by Orange Leaf. The fall schedule will begin in September with story hours on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, author series, knitting group and book clubs. Marsha Gette will lead a new daytime book club meeting at noon on Mondays. Scout groups, painting class and writers' groups continue to use the building.

The Association is planning a ribbon cutting ceremony when the work is completed on the ramp project. The Association is also planning a celebration of the 110 years that the Emma L. Andrews Library has been open in this building. Tentative time is fall of 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30pm on a motion by Donna Conway seconded by Susan Chase.

The next regular meeting of the commission will be held on Thursday September 18 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Valeriani