

## Minutes from the Emma L. Andrews Library and Community Center Commission Meeting

July 18, 2013, 77 Purchase Street, Newburyport.

Attending: Susan Chase, Chair and librarian, Donna Conway, Events Director, and Kristin Sherman, Commission Member, Aine Greaney, acting secretary,

Also attending: Nancy Earls, The Newburyport Learning and Enrichment Center

Absent: Elizabeth Valeriani, Secretary, and Peter Lombardi, City of Newburyport

### Agenda:

Possible collaboration with youth and programs from The Newburyport Learning and Enrichment Center: We discussed possibilities with Nancy Earls and how we might provide literacy and or library services to the youth and adults that her program serves.

Building: The apartment refurbishments are complete and Peter Lombardi is preparing to show it to prospective tenants.

Grants: We need to make the handicap accessibility ramp a priority. The Committee discussed applying for CPC funding, also to the banks. Donna C. may have someone who will do grants research.

Bed Race: Plans are progressing, and the Emma will participate in the 2013 Yankee Homecoming Bed Race

Events: Donna Conway delivered a complete events report, including the fire safety program, puppet author day, and the Summer Reading Program. All events have been very well attended, and the Summer Reading Program has more participants than last year.

Upcoming or planned events: Yard and Bake Sale, July 27<sup>th</sup>. Summer Social, August 21, a possible toddler story hour, a Daisy Troop meeting and the Brown School Field Trips.

We also discussed the date, time and theme of the November 2013 women veterans or wives of veterans event. Aine is to re-contact Kevin Hunt at City Hall to finalize plans.