

## **Searles School and Chapel Trustees**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**September 20, 2022, 6:00 PM**

The Searles Trustees met at the Searles School and Chapel on September 20, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Present were Trustees Betty Dunn, Peter Griffin, Mike Mazalewski, and Neil Fallon, and Searles Coordinator Cheryl Haas.

Trustees Lisa Thornton, Richard Parrow and Frank Merchel were excused.

1. The Trustees discussed a proposal from the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber would waive the allow membership fee, approximately \$200, in exchange for the Trustees allowing a Chamber function to be held for two evenings in December, Thursday and Friday, at Searles. The function is proposed to be a display of decorated wreaths as a fundraising event. Hot chocolate and cookies would be served. A jazz band has offered to provide music.

The Trustees agreed to this proposal because it would provide very good, free publicity through the Chamber and the attendees. Cheryl will coordinate with the Chamber.

2. The Trustees discussed the two bids that had come in for the tower floor and related repair work. Neither bid is in the format required by the Town. Mike will work with Dennis Senibaldi to get both bids in the required format and get the bids to the Board of Selectmen. Unless something else shows up, the consensus was that the lower bid should be presented.

3. Cheryl has had discussion with the Lego camp organization that used the building last summer for two weeks. The organizers were happy with the set-up, and there were no issues with their use. The Trustees agreed to have the same agreement as last year.

4. Cheryl said a rock video wants to use the backyard for vides this summer. They will want to do some of the staging inside. The Trustees agreed to allow this and have Cheryl follow up with the specifics.

5. After a recent event, Cheryl and the cleaning people found significant debris on the floors. Chery provided photos showing cake and frosting in several areas. It appeared to have been walked on. It required extra time cleaning. The Trustees agreed not to return the security deposit.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM.

Minutes submitted by Betty Dunn.