Keene Public Library

Building and Grounds Committee

Meeting held 4/21/2023 at 10:00 AM (Draft)

Members present: Susan Bloom, Paul Henkel, Kathleen Packard, Justin Somma, Andrew Bohannon and Marti Fiske

Minutes of our last meeting were approved with a note regarding the change of date from April 7 to April 22.

Landscaping – Andy Bohannon plans to complete arrangements for root invigoration and other tree maintenance with Bartlett Tree Experts.

We would like to locate the existing landscaping map from the 2019 renovation/expansion. Susan Bloom offered to try and locate the map.

Equipment for Heberton Hall and Cohen Hall – Improved ventilation is planned for the AV equipment. We discussed benefit of filtering air introduced for ventilation. Andy Bohannon set a goal of having enhanced ventilation by end of May.

Lighting in the collections area – Marti noted that replacement of the fluorescent lighting will result in significantly better energy efficiency. Andy will specify the light fixtures. This is a first step in obtaining a quote so that Marti can potentially apply for a grant.

Maintenance - Marti noted that Brian painted the interior of the tower and painted and improved the basement area. His work is much appreciated. Members of the committee climbed up the stairs into the tower and all were impressed.

Ken Jue Tree Dedication – Reminder: Library Trustees will host a tree dedication honoring Ken Jue on Arbor Day Friday April 28 at 1:30 PM.

Paul Henkel, Chair

Next Meeting Schedule: 10 AM May 19 in the Miller-Vincent Room.