**Friends of the Powers Memorial Library**

**Meeting November 14, 2017**

**6:00 pm**

**Call to order:** 6:00pm

**Members present:** President Lori, Vice-President Pat, Secretary Carol, Treasurer Connie, Lauren, and Library Director Laura

**Minutes of last meeting:** Minutes approved as written.

**Public Comment (Limit to 10 minutes):** None.

**Finance Report**

**Current check book balance:** $9,171.97

**Budget:** NA

**Directors Report:** Circulation was a bit down last month. However, 331 people attended 41 programs and 17 new cards were taken out.

Ugly Christmas Sweater Day is scheduled for Nov. 30th. Staff will be walking in the Christmas parade wearing ugly sweaters and more participants are needed. Keurig cups are labeled and ready to be handed out.

On Dec 8, 3-5pm the 3 Thin Dimes, a blue grass group, will perform. A new Memory Café program will be started for Alzheimer’s patients and caregivers. This will be done in coordination with the Alice Baker Library.

The Village gave a $3000 increase to the Library and $2000 came from the Town, an increase of $1,000.

At Director’s Retreat, the topic, capital cost planning, was presented and discussed. The process involves recording when big ticket items need to be replaced and putting aside money for them. An ADA compliant scan could also provide the Library with helpful information.

**Committee Reports**

**Raffle Baskets:** Six beautiful baskets were put together. Flyers are being distributed and one will be put online. Tickets will be sold at the December 9th, Craft Fair at Cornerstone from 10am-3pm. Lori will set up and Carol will take down. Lauren, Connie & Pat will also be selling tickets. They cost $1 each or 5 for $6. Staff will be drawing winning tickets on September 16th at 10:30.

**Paint and Pizza Night Wrap-up:** Sixteen people attended this enjoyable event which made $100 in profit. There are also supplies left over for a future project.

**Fundraiser ideas**

**Ideas to utilize raffle license throughout the year:** None for now.

**Recruitment ideas to increase The Friends membership count:**

Invite a friend to the Friends meeting

**Other items that come to the Friends’ attention**

**Officer Elections:** Officers will remain the same except that Lauren will take over

the position of vice-president.

**501(c) (3):** Tabled.

**Bench Installation Update:** Laura is talking to Jeff about the installation.

**Chamber of Commerce Meeting:** No new updates.

**Christmas Parade:** At this point, there will be 6 people walking in the parade

to be held on Sat, Dec 2nd at 5pm. The Methodist Church has ugly Christmas

sweaters and is open on Tuesday & Thursday from 10am-2pm.

**Other items:** None.

**Suggestions for next agenda:** Membership dues, Christmas raffle follow-up. Carol will bring snacks.

**Set date for next meeting:** Tuesday, December 12th @6pm

**Adjournment:** 6:55pm