Marc called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

**August Meeting Minutes Approval:**
The minutes for the August 19th meeting were presented and reviewed. Corrections and additions were included and were accepted as amended. The minutes for the June meeting reviewed and accepted.

**Treasurer’s Monthly Report:**
The Treasurer’s report was circulated and reviewed with no comments or questions. Don reported that the budget is on track within our limits.

**Director’s Report:**
Betsy presented the Director’s Report for August. She contacted Eversource for an energy audit and they sent in someone to review the library lighting. The company proposed some changes in types of lighting. The MEB library will host a program on October 15 where candidates for the various political offices will attend. Dick Chamberlain is organizing the event. Betsy noted the Friends of library would not have Scarecrow Festival this year. The Rec Department will sponsor a Pumpkin Festival in conjunction with the Friends’ Book Sale. Betsy noted that the Library budget is scheduled for the Selectmen’s meeting on November 22nd. Betsy will attend NELA meeting. Discussion ensued concerning MEB library level of responsibility when the Town uses the library grounds for an event. Betsy will investigate Library responsibility for insurance coverage.

There were no public Questions and comments.

**Old Business:**
Marc reported on his contact with Wayne Robinson regarding trees on property. Marc got estimates for tree removal from Urban Tree Removal. There are trees that need to be pruned and removed. Marc presented the concerns for various trees on the library and abutting property. The Library cost for removing a pine tree is $1200 and $300 to prune wires over the driveway. Marc spoke with the abutting property owner concerning shared responsibility for tree removal. Marc noted that some trees might fall and damage library property. The Eversource Company might be responsible for some tree removal. Clarification of library and abutter responsibility was discussed. Marc will contact the abutter. Funding is not currently in the Library budget and Marc will explore with Selectmen concerning budget for the tree removal.

**New Business:**
Budget Cycle. See Director’s report. Marc noted the budget cycle and Betsy and Jim will prepare the 2017 budget.
Amphitheater. Discussion has included renovating the amphitheater. Lynn Austin presented an email summary of the contact with the builder (Peter Goodrich). Doug noted the need for a second estimate. The
amphitheater would be used at least twice this year. Marc noted options for renovating the amphitheater. Discussion ensued concerning the need for renovation for different levels of repair.

Discussion ensued concerning developing a strategic plan for the library.

Director’s Performance review: Marc met with Betsy to discuss her performance review.

Doug moved that the Trustees enter a Non-public session Under NH RSA Section 91-A: 3 to discuss the performance of the director. All present voted yes and the non-public session ensued at 7:40. The non-public session ended at 7:50 PM. All approved the closing of the non-public session

A Motion to adjourn was made by Marc, seconded by Jim, and passed; the meeting closed at 7:55 PM. Respectfully submitted by John Hayes.

Next Meeting: Wednesday October 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm