Etna Library Trustee Meeting Minutes August 24, 2021 at 3:00 pm Location: Etna Library 130 Etna Road, Etna NH 03750

Present: Barbara Prince, Kathleen Chaimberg, Elizabeth Cornell, Liz Marshall The July Minutes were accepted.

Librarian's Report

July Circulation: Etna patrons borrowed 949 items. Etna's own collection circulated 1000 items through Etna, Howe Library and inter-library loans. Indoor browsing is available during library hours, yet take-out circulation requests remain popular.

Review of Programs: A draw for families was the Fourth of July bicycle parade, Olympics Bingo, and Barbara and Sarah's twice weekly outdoor storytimes. Knitting group resumed in-person and ten attended the book group. Etna Village's Ken Pelton and the Mill Band drew some fifty friends of all ages behind the firehall.

Old Business

Little Free Libraries: On Costello Field, boy scout Owen Purcell has installed and filled the first of two libraries as part of his Eagle Scout qualification project. The second will be installed at the Etna General Store upon reopening.

Chair plaques: Ted Frazer is completing replacement plaques for the gift outdoor adirondack chairs.

Library Services: Circulation take-out service will continue. Three volunteer couriers transfer materials between the Etna and Howe libraries. The two substitutes have covered needed library hours.

ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Grants: Public Works will erect the two 10' x 20' tents purchased with funds from the COVID-related enterprise grant. The spacious tents will shelter outdoor programs behind the fire station through autumn.

Succession Planning: Candidate interviews for Barbara's replacement are complete. The Town of Hanover Human Resources department will inform the selected replacement for Head Librarian. Barbara will complete her 20-year service to Hanover library patrons and the Etna community on October 1. In her honor, the trustees will host a 25 September Open House in the tents. Barbara will train her replacement the final week of September.