## Director's Report Great Falls Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting February 18, 2014

 I visited Neighborhood Council #7 last week and we now have official approval from all the councils for placing a Little Free Library in each district. I'll be working with the councils over the next month to get recommendations for park placements and volunteer stewards.

Our builder has 6 of the libraries finished and will be completing the remainder soon. He is in the process of trying to recruit from the high schools for students to paint the libraries.

We had some very nice press from KRTV last week (printout included in your packet, video available on the KRTV site) in which the reporter interviewed both **Pat Carroll**, our builder, and me.

- 2. We once again have **Tax Help MT** at the library on Mondays to help people with filing income tax returns. We have had a lot of traffic in the library due to this valuable service.
- 3. Our new **computers** should be arriving shortly and **Sara Kegel** will be working to configure and install them as soon as they get here. In addition, our new **telephone system** should be installed the first week of March. Both projects are due to the generosity of the **Foundation**.
- 4. **Susie McIntyre** is putting together a grant application to Better Work Books for funding for a "Ready2Read Outreach" program. The program would enable us to have volunteer storytellers who would visit offsite locations (for example, the Rescue Mission and Headstart) and offer storytelling and programming opportunities for children who may not be able to get to the library. Grant applications are due in April and grants are awarded in June.

**Susie** has also submitted a grant application to PPL to fund another MakerSpace program this summer.