

Bethlehem Public Library Trustee Minutes – October 11th, 2021

Members Present: Doug Harman, Nora Clark, Tana LeClair, Lisa Ffrench, Barbara Szeidler, and Len Grubbs

Librarian Present: Laura Clerkin

Meeting Commenced at 7:05 pm.

Meeting Minutes:

Reviewed and accepted with all members present approving and one abstain (due to not attending previous meeting).

Treasurer's Report

Len indicated that the budget is still favorable by \$6,592.80. Accepted with no questions noted.

Old Business- none

New Business

Committees

HR - Nothing to report.

Finance – There was discussion regarding the annual budget, in anticipation of December's budget meeting with the Select Board. Doug and Laura will meet with April Hibberd on Friday, October 15th, to continue the conversation. (Four (4) versions of the budget have been reviewed and then narrowed down to Two (2) versions, both including insurance options for the Library Director.

Buildings and Grounds – The donation of a bench in honor of Rita Blaney Guarino was successful, and it is now located outside of the building, near the flower beds.

Technology – Nothing to report.

Bylaws and Policies – Nothing to report.

Librarian's Report

The budget meeting will be held on December 13th, 2021 at 6pm. The budget is due to Tim Fleury a week ahead of the meeting, by December 6th, 2021. January 3rd, 2022 is the total budget review meeting.

The New Hampshire Library Trustee Association will be holding a virtual round table discussion on November 10th, 2021. Registration is required beforehand.

Author Anders Morley was in to discuss his book this past Friday, and six people attended.

Library attendance is a bit down from a month ago; it was previously quite busy. The plan is to focus on some more in person programming.

The new members of staff are fitting in quite well. They have some great ideas to add to the library.

The Board of Trustees discussed the resignation of former Trustee Sue McClain this month. We recommend that the Select Board appoint Rhienna Miscio as Sue's replacement. Tana made a motion to recommend Rhienna Miscio as a temporary appointment to replace a vacated seat. Motion was seconded by Len. The motion passed unanimously and will be passed along to the Select Board.

Len made a motion to adjourn at 7:47 pm, which was seconded by Nora and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Tana