

Minutes for October 29,2019 Library Trustees Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Art Bobruff 1pm

Attendance Joyce Guinther, Art Bobruff, Gregory Bruss Trustees, Happy Callaway Alternate, Dick Hendl Selectman, Cay Currier Friends of the Library, Laura Pauling Head Librarian

Review Agenda Move to accept Greg second Joyce 3-0 to accept

Review Minutes Move to accept Art second Joyce 3-0 to accept

Correspondence None

Public Comment Dick H put forward the name of two possible candidates for the Alternate position. Discussion of the best way to proceed. Will invite them to the next meeting and in closed session have a chance for us to meet them and exchange information and answer any questions either might have about the appointment. Greg will extend invitation for a Dec 4th meeting.

Dick informed us that selectmen have added all federal holidays to list of days off for town employees. To allow for a day even if it falls on day town offices depts are normally closed. Discussion on how or if to extend this to Library employees as well. After discussion, decision to defer issue to a later date.

Friends of the Library Cai reported that the Friends had held their annual meeting. Reported their financial statement. \$155 had come in for dues

\$807 donations

\$1035 taken in

With \$3000 in current checking account

They put forward a proposed budget for 2020

\$1,200 for library equipment

\$250 for children's programs

\$200 for scholarship

They hope to raise via mailing and other fund raising \$1350

This led to a long discussion on how best to replace/update the current computers.

Various ways to fund this were entertained. Cay mentioned that the Friends, from the current account, might give \$1000 dollars towards this. Already begun with research about potential cost.

Estimates around \$3500 which could be covered by combining the Friends donation with expenditure from the general funds.

After expenses paid for building drainage repairs and new step installation we currently have about \$8000 in general fund.

After much discussion Joyce motion to purchase 3 new computers and large screen monitor, may add a Standing Desk. More discussion about cost and how to pay for them.

Motion made by Greg to table the motion Seconded by Art vote 3-0 to table motion until more information and better idea of real cost might be researched by Laura and presented at next meeting.

Financial Report see Librarian for current report handout.

Library Director Report Laura reported that circulation numbers are up.

Kanopy patron numbers about the same. Currently there are 5 using the service.

The Friends event after their annual meeting Am History thru stamps had 16 attend.

Laura hosted local library directors for a meet up at this library which was well received.

Janet has sent out overdue notices in effort to get response and prompt returns.

We now have a root puller available to lend out to patrons who need one.

Doorbell now set to alert employees if someone has entered.

Action Items 2 Greg will send invitations to the two potential candidates for Alternate

Laura will continue to research potential cost for computer upgrades .

We will not meet in November due to holiday Next meeting Dec 4, Wednesday 1pm

Greg moves for adjourn Art seconds 3-0 to adjourn

Meeting ends 2:41pm