

Bethlehem Public Library Trustee Minutes – June 14th, 2021

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

Librarian Present: Laura Clerkin

Public: Nancy Strand

Meeting Commenced at 7:01 PM

Meeting Minutes

The decision was made to accept the minutes as written; the decision passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Len indicated that the budget is still favorable by about \$5,200. The motion was made to accept the report, as well as the check register; the motions were accepted unanimously.

Public Input

Nancy Strand attended the meeting as representation for the transfer station committee. The committee (with approval by the Select Board) contacted a company in southern New Hampshire called Apparel Impact. They deal with textile recycling and repurposing. More information can be found on their website at www.apparelimpact.com. The library was suggested as a possible location for a textile donation bin.

The Board supported the concept by felt that the library was not the appropriate location for a bin. Laura will reach out to Nancy with the decision.

Old Business

The Board of Trustees will resume in person meetings starting next month, July 2021. Zoom will still be available to trustees who can not attend in person, as well as to the public.

New Business

Committees

HR - Nothing to report.

Finance – Nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds – Nothing to report.

Technology – Nothing to report.

Bylaws and Policies – Nothing to report.

Librarian's Report

The book sale during the week of Memorial Day brought in \$70, which is fine. Another larger book sale will be held at the Summer Reading Program kick off event, on Saturday June 26th.

The Friends of the Bethlehem Library would like to have a donation jar in the library to help fund more support. A motion was made to allow some sort of donation collection, with the understanding that the container would be affixed with the Friends logo and would be maintained completely by the Friends group. This motion was seconded by Nora and passed unanimously.

The Story Walk will be ready by the Summer Reading Program kick off on June 26th.

The library has been having some staffing issues. They are searching for a part time library clerk. Due to this, the library will remain at their limited opening schedule for the summer (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays).

All staff are back to their hourly rate as of June 1st.

Barbara mentioned that she will be out of town for the August and September monthly meetings, as well as possibly the October meeting. The Board approved this, and the decision passed unanimously.

Len made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm, which was seconded by Lisa and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Tana