

Bethlehem Public Library Trustee Minutes – December 13th, 2021

Members Present: Doug Harman, Tana LeClair, Barbara Szeidler, Lisa Ffrench, Mike Culver, Rhienna Miscio, and Nora Clark; Len Grubbs attended via phone call.

Librarian Present: Laura Clerkin

Meeting Commenced at 7:04 PM

Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to accept the past meeting's minutes as written; the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Barbara to accept the report as written, with Sara seconding; the motion passed unanimously.

The check register was shown and signed by all trustees present.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

Committees

HR – Nothing to report.

Finance – If the new budget for 2022 is approved, the rate for non-resident library cards would increase from \$50 to upwards of \$70. This is still open for discussion.

Buildings and Grounds – There is a new sign on display in the parking lot, addressing the issue discussed in a previous meeting. The discussion was about making it clear to the public that while all are welcome to use the library's Wi-Fi network during closed hours, we request that people do not stay in the lot overnight.

Technology – Nothing to report.

Bylaws and Policies – Nothing to report.

Librarian's Report

A donation was made in honor of Ned and Kay Johnson, in the amount of \$100. A motion was made by Barbara to accept the donation, with Sara seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

There are several older library laptops that Laura will be offering by donation, via the library's Equipment Use Policy.

There are four small children's rocking chairs that we no longer have space or use for; Laura will be looking into selling these to the public. The Board has left it up to Laura to set a price for them.

Laura is still waiting for approval of the ARPA grant by the governor; we are hoping to hear more about this by the end of the calendar year.

Laura has ordered a new office desk and chair, as discussed and approved in last month's meeting.

The staff had their dinner this past weekend, and sent their thanks.

The library has had quite a few new library card signups this year, which we are happy to see.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:27pm by Len, with Sara seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Tana LeClair