Bethlehem Public Library Trustee Minutes – 11/10/2025

Members Present: Doug Harman, Nora Clark, Len Grubbs, Stephen Dignazio, Barbara Szeidler, Sally Syren, Sara Plumley, Lisa Ffrench

Excused: Melissa Smith

Librarian Present: Laura Clerkin

Public Present: none

Meeting Commenced at 6:54pm

Meeting Minutes

Nora made a motion to accept the October minutes as written, with Len seconding. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Currently, there is a \$9,550 increase in the budget due to facilities improvement cost. Budget will be modified to show correct amount for facilities cost by end of year. There is no change to the town line. Sara made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Sally. The motion passed. Appreciation was expressed to Len for the presentation he made at the Select Board Budget meeting. His experience and expertise are greatly valued.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Committees

HR – Nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds – Pavilion construction has started and is going well. Consideration should be given to how the Library can promote the use beyond typical Library programs.

Donations - \$5.00 Sara made a motion to accept, Barbara seconded motion approved

Bylaws and Policies – HB273 reviewed and policy will be presented at the next meeting

Technology – nothing to report

Librarian's Report

BES had their evacuation drill, no issues identified and process took approximately 15 minutes duration.

Laura will be contacting BES Principal to discuss library parking concerns.

CLIF grant author presentation will be provided to BES students in November.

Book sale raised \$2,559. Total monies received to date is approx. \$6,000.

Gingerbread contest will occur in December

Review of 2026 Holidays was discussed with determinations to be made in January.

Sara made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:14, with Len seconding; the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Barbara Szeidler

Next meeting December 8th 7 pm