

Belmont Public Library Trustee Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, February 11, 2019

Called to order at 4:36

Present: Mary Charnley, Gail Thomas, Eileen Gilbert (director), and Diana Johnson

January minutes were reviewed and accepted. The motion was made by Mary and seconded by Gail. Passed unanimously. Mary made a motion to accept the Librarian's report and the financial report. They were also seconded by Gail and passed unanimously.

Old Business

Knitting class was very well received. Patrons asked for repeated class and more advanced classes as well.

Heating System- Irving installs heating but not cooling systems. They work with someone who does install hvac systems; he'll be in tomorrow to talk about mini splits. Irving quoted \$15,000 to install a propane furnace with the mini splits on top of that (these were recommended for older building as they are more efficient than ac units in window). Laconia Refrigeration is coming tomorrow to give an estimate. Lakes Region Heating has not gotten back in touch and Hubble has come but has not sent over a quote for the work.

The town gave us more information about government grants- what's eligible. According to Jean the town would need to put in for it. The grant could fund up to \$30,000 or 15% whichever is greater. But we would need to demonstrate that we have no other funds to draw on.

Brickwork- Is done!! The town has paid the final invoice. Eileen will check on final amount. She will collect all invoices and cancelled checks for the Mooseplate reimbursement. She'd like to get it done by the end of the month. Checks would have started mid-June 2018. Mary will check to see if trustees need to request copies of checks or if this is something Eileen can request.

Trustees- Diana is on ballot. She is currently running unopposed.

Update from Denise regarding account- Denise is on vacation- tabled until March

Author visits- another patron is a friend of Brendon DuBois who co-authored with Patterson. He also wrote a series with a Vermont game warden. Mary also remembered that Jan Brett's sister came once to do drawing with her- maybe she could come again.

New Business

Savings Account Policy- any overages disbursed at year's end should go into savings to be used for programs or items needed.

Weeding- Better World Books still takes our discarded books but now only wants some- not all titles. Some books have been donated to other organizations. Mary offered to drop some at St Vincent de Paul's or Good Will.

Belmont Celebrations – There is a list of events on bulletin board but none involve the library.

Mary would like to know if town hall bulletin board could display library announcements.

Evaluation for Eileen next month; she will look at her availability on Thursdays in March when library closes at 5pm.

Adjourned at 5:33

Next Meeting: March 11th at 4:30;

Respectfully Submitted by Diana Johnson