

MADISON LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MAY 17, 2017, 3:30 PM
CHICK ROOM, MADISON LIBRARY
APPROVED MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Chair Cheryl Littlefield, Sandra Carr, John Filson, Angela Johnson, Bruce Kennedy, Karen Lord, Patti Rau, Linda Smith, Peter Stevens; Susan Lee, Friends of the Library; Sloane Jarell, Library Director

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cheryl Littlefield called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 19, 2017 regular meeting: Motion by Peter Stevens to approve the minutes of 4-19-17, seconded by John Filson. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Treasurer Angela Johnson said not much has changed since the last meeting. The combined checking/savings accounts total \$5,556.01. Due to market fluctuation, Vanguard is up by \$69.16. Angela said we have not received the budget drawdown from the town yet.

Motion by Bruce Kennedy to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Karen Lord. The motion passed unanimously.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Library Director Sloane Jarell said the statistics were sad this month compared to the last couple of months, but with summer people starting to return she is hoping that more people will be coming to the library. She noted the results of the water test which were included in the board packet. This was discussed. Peter Stevens said the water is tested for salt that comes off the road, and this shows that we are over the limit on chloride. There was a discussion about whether this could be affected by the taxpayer sand pile nearby. Cheryl Littlefield suggested asking the town if the sand pile could be moved. Sloane said she will look into this. She said she will also look for past water quality reports to provide a comparison. Karen Lord suggested having our water tested 3 more times since we have no other data at this point. Angela Johnson suggested having our own test done. Sloane said she will look into this further and provide more information at the next meeting. Sloane said she and Linda Smith attended the Library Cooperative Meeting recently and found it very productive. She said there was a discussion at the meeting about getting a Pay Pal account to use for fee payments. The board discussed the pros and cons of this proposal. No board action was required as Sloane said this was just for informational purposes at this point. Sloane said there was more talk at that meeting about other libraries joining our Cooperative, even some school libraries. In terms of programs, Sloane said Gordy is going to begin a separate book club for the 3rd-4th grade range and Gordy will go to the Madison school assembly to discuss our summer programs.

GALLERY: Nora Martindale currently; JP Goodwin will be coming in.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Susan Lee said book sales will resume this coming Saturday. She said the Friends had their annual meeting recently with election of officers and gave final approval to their proposed budget. She said the Friends had a very well-attended program on the cog railway; the next Minutes approved: June 21, 2017

presentation will be June 29 on New Hampshire wild history: "350 Years of New Hampshire Wildlife." On August 24 there will be a presentation by Rebecca Rule, and on October 19, "Capital Crime of Witchcraft." Susan noted that the Friends were organized in 1994 and since then they have donated to the library over \$107,000 in direct contributions. The board thanked the Friends. John Filson suggested that a thank-you note was in order and offered to draft such a note for the board. Sloane reminded everyone that the Volunteer Thank-you Breakfast will be held on June 29 at 9:00 AM.

OLD BUSINESS

Lining Parking Lot- Done

NEW BUSINESS: John Filson said he will be going to the New Hampshire Library Trustees Association meeting on Tuesday and will report anything significant back to the board.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURN: Motion by Linda Smith to adjourn, seconded by Bruce Kennedy. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM.

Next meeting: June 21, 2017 @3:30 PM.

Town of Madison, Board of Library Trustees Meeting for May 17, 2017

Approved Minutes
Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ambrose, Recording Secretary
Draft Minutes e-mailed to the Trustees, Town Clerk, and Library Director on May 18, 2017.