

Library Board of Directors
Somers Public Library
January 5, 2015

Members present: Shirley Warner, Andy Phillips, Charlotte Stopa, Lois Lindell, Tiffany Daly, Sharon Renzoni, Mike Gotta

Also present: Francine Aloisa

Absent; Bob Socha (excused)

S. Warner called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Minutes from the December 1 meeting were accepted. Motion made (M.Gotta, seconded, T. Daly)

First Audience of Citizens: None

Treasurer's Report was distributed and will be filed for audit. It was stated that quarterly reports showing profiles and comparisons given by John Ruocco, our investment officer, be shared with the Board.

Correspondence: Letter was received from the town clerk stating that a Freedom of Information Workshop will be held on February 4 at 7:30 at the Town Hall. This is being held for Board chairpersons but any Board member is welcome.

Word has been received that the CT Mechanical Services has been taken over by Mechanical Maintenance Co. They will service us in the future.

Financial Business.

Invoices were presented for authorization. Motion made to approve (T.Daly, seconded by C. Stopa) Approved.

Year-to-date Budget was presented and will be filed. The percentages of expenditures are in line for this time of year.

Committees:

Budget sub-committee will be meeting on January 27 at 5:00 pm. Budget will be presented at February 2 Board meeting. Members on Budget Sub-committee are T. Daly, S. Renzoni and C. Stopa.

Policy Subcommittee will be meeting in February to begin reviewing policies.

Building concerns:

The roof and gutter area in the Fireplace Room have been temporarily patched. The permanent repair of this will be done in the spring. A letter and other explanations have been sent to Town Hall for action to be taken.

Latch on the right side door at the entrance needs repairing. B. Socha will be doing this repair.

Old Business:

Work on the web-design is progressing. Possible websites are being studied.

The Game Table in memory of Dee Moak has been ordered and will arrive shortly. Francine received three quotes for a bookcase to be built in memory of A. Bob Socha. It was voted to purchase this from Kloter Farms (Motion, S. Renzoni, seconded, A. Phillips)

Chairs from Teen Room needing repair will be picked up by the Correctional Enterprises on January 5.

New Business:

A discussion was held about the Board vacancy. A special meeting will be held on January 27 at 5:30 to vote on a choice to send to Town Hall before the deadline.

Director's Report:

It is hoped that publicity on the "Home Bound Delivery" program will result in more use. Thanks are extended to Roy Slater and his high school class for repairing the bus in the Children's Room.

The public can use "Ancestry.com" at the Library at no charge.

Leslie Grant won the ChristmasTabletop Creations contest. We will hold this contest again next year.

We have entered the "Get out of the Cold" contest. There is a display at the Library.

Second Audience of Citizens: None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. Next meeting will be February 2.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Lindell

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