Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2020 PM

Monthly meeting called to order at 2:02pm. In attendance Trustees Natalie Gallo, Ronnie Shelley, Charlene Flaherty; Alternate Trustee Theresa McTammany; Budget Committee Liaison Carol Cipriano; Friends’ liaison Al Cipriano; Selectman Joe Guthrie; Director Rosemary Krol; Kate Thomas, minutes.

Visitor comments and questions-none today.

Friends Report- Al noted that Friends have begun membership drive and they thank the library for helping manage it. Marcia Blaine spoke to Natalie about making the thrift shop available for folks who may be in need. Because of the health vulnerability of most of the volunteers, the Friends wish to wait until they know of someone asking about it.

1. Approve minutes from the August 18, 2020 meeting. Motion to accept by Charlene, seconded by Ronnie. Unanimously approved.
2. Approve minutes from the September 1, 2020 special meeting. Motion to accept by Ronnie, seconded by Charlene. Unanimously approved.

3. Director’s Report
   a. Stats- Janet created 2 slides to share with Cable and the school cable channel, which we sent also via email to the schools.
   b. We’re looking at some sort of dedication for the new walkway probably in the spring.
   c. Stats for usage of most resources, especially online media, are increasing.

4. Treasurer’s Report
   a. Budget Report-Charlene reports we’re on track for this point in the year and many items are under-expended. Next month will begin budget planning discussions.
b. Report from Ray Noel- Charlene met via Join.me. From 2019, 23.94% gain on investments. Our capital preservation policy that we have in place with him governs his investment practices with our funds. Due to this practice, Ray moved 48% of our money out of the market in February when he predicted problems with the virus and put 15% in to cash and 34% in core bond fund. Ytd return 9.69%, up $7190.38. He has created a ‘re-entry’ plan for reinvesting in the market in 4th quarter and he will let us know when that begins. Value as of Sept 9, 2020 is $79,419 in invested funds with his organization.

5. Old Business
   a. Phased Plan for Increasing Services-People are appreciative of what the library is offering and acknowledge that we are working to provide services. We’re continuing to increase slowly. Library has added more appointments for in–library browsing. See our website or call the library for more information and to book appointments.
   b. Youth Services Librarian Jennifer MacLeod started last week. She is focusing on getting programming going.
   c. Path to the garden- railings to be installed in the next few weeks.
   d. Front sidewalk- completed by the town and looks great. Ronnie reminded to look into the better lighting on that side exit.

6. New Business- none at this time.

7. Donations by groups or individuals. Motion to accept as listed below by Charlene, seconded by Ronnie. Unanimously approved.
   a. Acceptance of donations in memory:
   b. Money in donation jar:
   c. Books, audios & videos from various individuals
   d. Donations by groups or individuals:

8. Correspondence- none this month.

Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Charlene, seconded by Ronnie. Unanimously approved at 3PM
Next meeting: Tuesday, October 20, 2020 2 PM