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Board of Library Trustees

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Tuesday, April 20, 2021, Virtual Meeting 7 pm

Present: Dan Hall, Eileen MacDougall, Jim Lemay, Jeff Nussbaum, Kathleen Reynolds, Don Pearson, Library Director Tina Stewart, Administrative Assistant Gloria Corcoran.

Chairman Jeff Nussbaum called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. He read Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c30a Section 18. Chairman Nussbaum did the required roll call of members who were present.

Minutes March 16, 2021

Motion was made by Eileen MacDougall to accept the minutes of March 16, 2021 with a second by Don Pearson. Roll Call vote to accept: Eileen MacDougall, Dan Hall, Kathleen Reynolds, Jim Lemay, Jeff Nussbaum. Motion passes.

Financial and Statistical Report March 2021

A motion was made by Kathleen Reynolds seconded by Jim Lemay to accept the Financial and Statistical Reports of March 2021. Roll call vote to accept: Eileen MacDougall, Dan Hall, Kathleen Reynolds, Jim Lemay, Jeff Nussbaum. Motion passes.

Library Director's Report

Mrs. Stewart reviewed her written report. The library is now open pre COVID hours. The library hours were expanded on April 12. Given the reduced number of requests for curbside delivery, staff are able to serve patrons inside the library as well as respond to curbside. Curbside hours are now 10 am to 6 pm Monday through Thursday and 10am to 4 pm on Friday and Saturday beginning April 20.

Many library patrons have expressed delight with the frog and turtle in the Peggy Kane Reading Garden.

Three Impressionist paintings depicting people reading were purchased for the first floor meeting room. These were purchased with memorial funds given in memory of Teri LaBella.

As part of the library's *Earth Year* initiative, five library staff members volunteered to be on a Green Committee whose charge was to come up with ideas/suggestions as to how the library can become more environmentally friendly. The library staff will be implementing some of these suggestions.

Library Director Tina Stewart hosted a virtual meeting of the Community Resources Roundtable on March 30. Thirteen representatives from local organizations participated in the meeting.

Mrs. Stewart highlighted some of the popular programs that took place this month. The Puzzle Palooza held on March 27 was a success with 45 attendees.

The Library added the *Wall Street Journal* to the library's digital offerings.

The Friends of the Library held its annual meeting on March 18 via Zoom and elected the officers to the Executive Board. The Book Store Next Door will resume some hours on May 1.

The 150th Anniversary Committee has met and discussed the best ways to promote the anniversary. It was decided to incorporate the "150" theme into some of the activities. Friends will promote membership renewal drive offering a raffle ticket for anyone who renews or joins by June 30 for \$150 in restaurant gift certificates. We will give out 150 baseball hats with WML 150 logo for the first 150 kids who sign up for the summer reading program. We will give out 150 yard signs with the WML 150 anniversary logo.

Assistant Library Director Charlotte Wood met with Veterans Agent Lou Cimaglia about having a display at the library featuring information about the four Wilmington servicemen who were killed in the Vietnam War and for whom the library was dedicated on Memorial Day 1969 when the library opened. The display will be up the week before Memorial Day and will be available on Memorial Day to have the library open for an hour as part of the Memorial Day ceremonies for people to view the display. As part of the 150th anniversary of the library, Mrs. Stewart would like to have a ceremony on Memorial Day to rededicate the library. She shared a photo of a proposed plaque that would be placed on an outside pillar in front of the library. There was discussion on the inscription and questions regarding the dedication to the four servicemen who were killed in Vietnam. Trustees indicated that they would like to have the plaque be more inclusive to include all Wilmington servicemen and women as part of the rededication. Mrs. Stewart will reach out to Veterans Agent Lou Cimaglia about these requested changes.

Old Business

None

New Business

Mrs. Stewart requested that the Meeting Room Policy review be tabled. Kathleen Reynolds has indicated that she has decided not to accept reappointment to the Board of Library Trustees. Mrs. Stewart and Trustees thanked her for her service and wished her luck in her new home. Mrs. Stewart has met with Megan Delehanty Coslick who indicated an interest in serving on the Board of Library Trustees. Mrs. Stewart has recommended her appointment to the Town Manager.

Public Comments

None

Trustee Comments

Eileen MacDougall is partnering with the Book Store and the Sheriff's Department on the Prison Book Program to donate books for their women's prison section. She has delivered approximately 50 books so far.

Dan Hall will host the Current Events discussion on Wednesday, April 21, discussing Global Warming.

Jeff Nussbaum noted that he likes having access to the *Wall Street Journal* online.

Kathleen Reynolds thanked the Trustees for the privilege of serving on the Board of Library Trustees.

Mrs. Stewart noted that the Town Meeting is on May 1. The Trustees have an article to name the first floor meeting room the Barbara A. Johnson Room. Mrs. Stewart or a Trustee will present the article.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 pm by Kathleen Reynolds, seconded by Eileen MacDougall. Voted unanimously with a show of hands.

Submitted by,

Gloria Corcoran

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Administrative Assistant

Documents used at the meeting:

March Financial Report

Library Statistics

Library Director's Report