

FLETCHER MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Feb. 13, 2025

Present: Astin, Kaye, DesJardin, Fowler, O'Brien, Haldas, Edwards, Cardwell, Hochstetter

Absent: Regan, Larsen

Call to order: Called to order @4:02pm

Audience for citizens: None

Seating of alternate: None

Approval of minutes of Jan. 10: Corrections: "ghost" account will be eliminated when the dividend is placed in the Vanguard account. Motion to approve minutes as corrected made by Fowler, 2nd by Edwards and approved.

Treasurers report: 1. Clarification of Robertson account. 2. CD is due for renewal but \$3k needed for current expenses. Fowler to check with the bank to re-invest in CD again or move money to money market account? After discussion motion was made by Haldas, 2nd by O'Brien and approved to let Fowler work with the bank for best outcome. 3. Eversource direct energy generation bill has decreased. We will need a new fixed rate. After further discussion, motion made by O'Brien, 2nd by Haldas and approved to do further research and switch to an electric provider for whatever period is feasible. Provider suggestions were Saveway Oil or Potters.

Librarian Report: On file at FML

Assistant Librarian report: None

On Going; 1. Budget has gone to Finance Comm. They have questions – Cardwell to follow up. 2. Program updates, see librarian report 3. Jamie Boss has requested a book reading to feature his new book. Request is approved unanimously and will look for a program around Memorial Day.

4. Property update: 1. Heating thermostats are being monitored manually 2. Potters is our new heat provider. The boiler is very old, needs an inspection, smoke pipe needs to be repaired at cost of \$ 251, need a chimney liner (item to be put on 5 year plan), Service plan A cost is \$600 per year. Motion made by O'Brien, 2nd by Haldas and approved to go ahead with service plan. Cardwell to inquire about a budget plan for oil.

Other: 1. Discussed possible dates and location for Harvest Fair. Kaye will form a committee to organize the Fair. Edwards and Hochstetter volunteered for the committee. 2. Town wide tag sale will be June 20-21. Hochstetter will ask Roger Burten to organize the sale at FML.

Adjourned at 5:14 pm. Next meeting March 13, 2025 at 4 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hochstetter

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