

Rochester Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 14, 2021, 6:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting

Rochester Public Library or via Zoom

Present:

Trustees – Kelly Kelly, Barbara Shenton, Tony Goupee, Jolanta Labejsza

Librarian – Jeannette Bair

Absent: Sandy Lincoln

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm

A change in the agenda was made to accommodate our online guests: Jeff Gephart and Maya Newroot

New Business:

- Building Issues & report on the Preservation Trust visit - Jeff stated that we need to understand the structure of the building to diagnose where the problems are to prevent water from coming in to the building. There is no flashing. We need to open up the wall to better strategize how to move forward.

Motion was made to ask Jim Harvey to do the building analysis with a budget up to 1K.

Jeannette will contact him for the estimate. All in favor.

- Maya Newroot, the Children's Librarian reported on the successful project of making holiday take out holiday kits.

Public Communications/Comments

None

Board Communications/Comments

None

Approval of November Minutes

Motion made to approve November minutes as published.

All in favor.

Approval of Action items

All completed

Treasurer's Report

Motion was made to donate \$25.00 to the Preservation Trust of Vermont. All in favor.

Motion was made to approve Treasurer's Report as presented. All in favor.

Librarian's Report

- Vacation: motion was made for the library director to use the fiscal year for her vacation time. She will complete her current vacation on June 30th and start fresh July 1. All in favor.

Motion was made to approve the Librarian's report as presented. All in favor.

New Business, continued

- Town meeting planning - discussed
- Review warrant process - discussed
- 2022 trustee meetings: set for 2nd Tuesday of each month excluding August.

Old Business

- Current Covid status update - reviewed

Action Items

All - will gather as many signatures as possible for the petition "Shall the voters appropriate \$48,134 towards the operating expenses of the Rochester Public Library, the town's municipal library?"

All - brainstorm ideas for Friends of the library items

Jeannette - will contact Jim Harvey

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jola Labejsza, Secretary