

## Randolph Public Library Trustees' Meeting Minutes for Wednesday September 20, 2023

Present: Steve Teczar, Linda Scherf, Denise Demers, Annie Colella, Yvonne Jenkins, Karen Bradley, Kalya Demers (via zoom).

Absent: Heather Newfield

1. Annie Colella made a motion for the minutes from the previous meeting to be approved. Steve seconded. All were in favor.

2. **Treasurer's Report, Annie**

**Town Checking Balance: \$14,906.80**

- Income
  - Interest: \$.13
- Expenses
  - Electricity: \$60.21
  - Book purchases: \$79.69
  - Phone: \$53.06
  - Yankee Subscription: \$29.97
  - NH Magazine Subscription: \$14.97
  - Library Trustee Association Membership renewals (Yvonne and Steve): \$60.00

**RPL Checking Balance: \$14,893.19**

- Income
  - Interest: \$.12
  - Pop-up book sales: \$352.00
  - Donations for Christine Woodside's Book: \$80.00
  - Donation: \$200.00
- Expenses
  - N/A

**Building Fund: \$19,314.30 (no change)**

- Dividends paid this quarter: \$57.33
- From quarterly statement ending 6/31
- Certificate matures on 9/22/23 (current APY 1.2%) recommend withdrawing and reinvesting with higher rate certificate

3. **Friends Group, Kayla**

- Kayla submitted the minutes from the bi-monthly board meeting, which was held on September 13, 2023.
- The Friends Group annual report will be published in the next edition of the Mountain View.
- The next board meeting will be held on November 1, 2023 at 9:00am

#### 4. Librarian's Report, Yvonne

- Wednesday August 23rd: author Christine Woodside gave a presentation, sold copies of her previous book and donated the proceeds to the Library. There were 35 attendees.
  - Saturday August 26th: Thomas Strayhorn performed at the "Library After Hours", it was a great turn out!
  - The Mildred Horton Book Group is resuming on Monday, September 25th at 10:00 am in the White Mountain Room.
  - October 4th: Author Robert Goodby will be participating in a zoom event to discuss the book A Deep Presence, everyone is invited to join via zoom. There will also be a watch party in the White Mountain room for anyone who would like to join. This event is a follow up to the "Community Read", where various libraries in New Hampshire held individual book groups.
  - The Old Library Bookstore remains open on Sundays from 3-5pm. The last day will be on Sunday, October 8th with cider and donuts.
  - The Library will be closed on Monday, October 9th for Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day.
  - The RPL received a NH Humanities Grant to hold a "Perspectives Book Group" on October 23rd at 10:00 am as a part of the Mildred Horton Book Group. The grant provided 12 copies of The Coffin Ship by Cian T. McMahon and \$250 to cover a facilitator's honorarium. The Library will be zooming with professor Mary Kelly from Keene, NH.
  - **Upcoming Purchases:**
    - Portable folding movie screen. Yvonne has researched options and has chosen one from Amazon for \$242.50 (includes shipping).
    - Book plates. The Library ordered 520 in 2020 at a cost of \$125 from Smith and Town Printers in Berlin.
5. "New Kids on the Block": The Friends of the RPL will be collaborating with the Library to host an open house on Saturday November 4th at 10:00 am. Any new residents of Randolph from the past 5 years will be invited.
6. The Library is creating a survey with a focus on long range planning to get a better idea of:
- Service to families and the community
  - The need for additional Library hours and staff
7. Continuing and other business
- We are awaiting an update from Romik Developers on a start date.
  - There is still a need for another Trustee.
8. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 18th

The meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Bradley, secretary

