

## Chester Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes: Monday, June 20th, 2022

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### **I. Call to Order**

The Chester Library Board of Trustees held a meeting on Monday, June 20th, 2022 at the Chester Public Library. In attendance were Sandy Senior-Dauer, Karin Badger, Peggy Carter-Ward, Jen Rice and Stephanie Romano, Library Director. Absent: Devin Chester and Abbi Rice. Guests in attendance: None. Call to order at 6:03pm by Sandy Senior-Dauer, Chair.

### **II. Secretary's Report**

Motion by Peggy Carter-Ward, second by Karin Badger to approve the May 16th meeting minutes with the following amendments: Section IV B) Add *Karin Badger* to list of attendees at meeting.

### **III. Treasurer's Report**

Peggy Carter-Ward provided a copy of the Treasurer's Report to all board members via email prior to the meeting. The current CD matures in July. Waiting to reinvest until rates improve.

### **IV. Old Business**

- A) Review of Garden Party: Cookies donated by the Wheatmarket. Good attendance.
- B) Tech Plan: Stephanie working with Tom Riggio regarding the current town tech plan with new computers not planned for another 2-3 years . Stephanie and Sandy to investigate grant options. Plan to discuss library specific tech plan further at next meeting.
- C) Grounds Update: Solar table installed, awaiting umbrella installation. Permanent entry ramp to area to be completed next year when sidewalk is replaced. Discussed extending sidewalk to access new garden area. New fencing installed however further fencing to be installed for safety along the ledge at left side of the building.
- D) Status of Little Libraries: Have been installed, Jen to follow up further on permanent locations and stewardship needs.

### **V. Librarian's Report**

The Library Director provided the monthly report to board members prior to the meeting and discussed the following:

Stephanie to meet with Erin Fink from the Department of Economic and Community Development to discuss a historic restoration grant for rejoining of the building and new outdoor lighting.

Proposal to eliminate fines has been resubmitted to the town.

Seed Library discussed for next spring.

Library of Things: Stephanie has started a list of items available for loan including garden tools, a doll, coding program and chromebooks. The full list is available on the website.

### **VI. New Business:**

- A) Unanimous vote to skip the July meeting, with the next meeting planned for Monday, August 15th at 6pm at the library.
- B) End of Summer Celebration planned for September 1st at 4pm utilizing remaining money from the Kindness Grant. Ice cream truck and potentially live music.
- C) Book sale planned at the Chester Fair by the Friends.

**VII. Audience of Citizens:** None.

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**VIII. Adjournment:** Motion by Peggy Carter-Ward, 2nd by Jen Rice to adjourn at 7:04pm. Unanimously approved. Next meeting: Monday, August 15th at 6pm at the library.

*Respectfully submitted by Jen Rice.*