

FLETCHER MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 9, 2024

Present: Andstrom, Burten, Haldas, Regan, Astin, O'Brien, Kaye, Larsen, Hochstetter, Davis, Cardwell

Called to order at 4:01 pm

Audience for citizens: Davis presented the schedule for the summer music series for 2024. On file at FML. Motion made by Kaye, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Haldas and approved to accept music budget as presented.

Seating of alternate: none

Approval of minutes: Correction to music series - anonymous donor donated \$700. Motion made by O'Brien, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burten to accept minutes as corrected.

Bookkeeper report: Discussed service eval. by Eversource as FML energy use remarkably high. Follow up phone call needed. Also discussed eval. of Spectrum monthly service charge.

Librarian report: On file at FML .Help is needed for May 18 book and bake sale. Memorial Day Parade float is in the works. Review of history prepared by Janice Trecker for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Need to discuss printing options and distribution methods. Hampton Board of Finance to pay \$800 for 1<sup>st</sup> year of Libby (e-book subscription). Cleaning issues to be continued. Computer system working well

Programs:Art: need artist for July and Aug. Music : see enclosed.

Assistant Librarian: none

On going Business: 1. Search for Librarian has started. First candidate has been interviewed and next candidate will be interviewed Wed. May 15 by the same board members. 2. Review of FML budget with Finance comm. The finance committee did not address Cost of Living increase to the budget but did acknowledge the increase in costs. 3. Tree stump removal on hold. 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration Aug. 24 from 1-3 pm Jeff Gordon will provide a proclamation. Gordon, Sen Murphy and Blumenthal to be invited. Motion made by Kaye, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burten and approved to set a budget of \$300 for celebration costs. Town officials will also receive invitations.

New Business: Book and Bake sale: done. Mem. Day parade: want volunteers to walk with float and pass out candy. Bids for building painting: Tabled.

Other: Debs last day is June 19. All day Open House planned with reception and refreshments from 1-3pm. Yard sale June 21 & 22. FML would like donations to sell.

Adjourned at 5:12 with motion by Regan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by O'Brien and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hochstetter.

Next meeting June 14