

Easton Library Board Meeting  
October 30, 2023 @ 6:30PM

In Attendance : Linda Borden, Jennifer DeCarlo (Director), Mary Jane Connor, Kevin Sheehan, Peter Read, Patricia McFee, Nellie Lovenduski, Abby Henderson.

Approval of meeting minutes from September 25th. Minutes reviewed and approved. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: SALS reiterated that it is good practice to keep petitions at the library limited to just library issues in scope. We received communication from the Greenwich Library President and the Superintendent of the Greenwich School District.

Treasurer's Report: Report reviewed. Kevin motioned to approve the Treasurer's report, Patricia second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report:

- Will use Jack Scott's "Love your library" funds for next year's summer reading program.
- Trick or Treat event at Burton Hall tomorrow, 10/31 from 4:30-6:30PM.
- Staff member Barb, aka Ms. Barb, has offered a kid's pen pal program through the library for any interested young patrons in order to practice writing and communication skills.
- We appreciate the patrons who decorated the library with cornstalks, mums, seasonal flowers, and pumpkins!
- We had some visitors from SALS come out to talk and see our new mural.
- A pumpkin decorating event was held at the library on Oct. 26th. Young patrons decorated pumpkins which were then donated to senior citizens around town.
- Tree Easton Library Tree Trimming event will be held on Dec. 2nd @2:00PM

Old Business:

- Abby motions for a petition regarding a crosswalk will be put out during our Book and Bake Sale event. Kevin second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Kevin has reached out to 4 different paving companies regarding the improvement of the library's parking spot. He has not had much luck in receiving returned calls. He will follow up with the various paving companies. Mary Jane will reach out to Jeff Moses for advice.
- National Good Neighbor Day was a success and well attended with 28 people. Community members suggested we gather a few times each year, for a similar type of gathering, or quarterly.
- The new router is hooked up! The Aluminum siding blocks the signal from going outside of the library building.
- The Great Giveback was also a success! The pet supplies will be divided up and delivered to (or picked up by) the various charity organizations.

## New Business

- The library director discussed details around the Book and Bake Sale event coming up. Election Day Bake and Book Sale will be running from 9AM - 8PM Tuesday, November 7th.
- Discussion around parking lot lights at Burton Hall. Now that it is getting darker, earlier, the need for lighting is great for our patrons and staff.
- Discussion regarding putting out community petitions at the library. We will follow the best practices as suggested by SALS and stick to petitions that pertain to the library.
- Checked in regarding details for the Halloween Trick or Treat at Burton Hall tomorrow (10/31)
- The library lamppost light was not on, will look into it.
- Kevin motions to purchase a new Christmas tree for the tree trimming event. Peter seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.
- The elevator seems to need servicing and possible repair. Kevin contacted the elevator service provider but will have to follow up with them.
- Kevin will look into how the four heat zones in the library are programmed and set.
- The book "*I, Eliza Hamilton*" by Susan Holloway Scott, Was selected by John O'Brien to be purchased for library use in honor of his many years of service on the library board.

The next meeting will be December 4th, at 6:30PM.

Kevin motioned to adjourn the meeting. Peter second the motion, motion approved unanimously.