

Easton Library Board Meeting
December 4th, 2023 @ 6:30PM

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

Approval of meeting minutes from October 30th. Minutes reviewed and approved. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: Need to schedule time to talk with Easton Town Board.

Treasurer's Report: Report reviewed. Idea to possibly create a capital improvement line. Kevin motioned to approve the Treasurer's report, Mary Jane second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report:

- Halloween event at Burton Hall was very well attended!
- Book and Bake Sale went over very well as well.
- Board members and staff are able to get their Canva accounts up and running.
- Our extensive collection of audio books are now available through the SALS interlibrary loan program.
- Gail Welter's calendars are currently being sold. All proceeds will go to the Easton Library in memory of Carol Skiff.
- Jack Scott from SALS added some needed links on our website (Town of Easton, Greenwich Central School, and book donation policy) and apps on the iPads.
- We appreciate the holiday wreaths that were donated by the Valley Falls Women's Club and Vicinity.

Old Business:

- All collected items from the Great Give Back were distributed. Considering altering current charities every other year in order to help the greatest number of organizations.
- We have collected over 80 signatures on our petition to have the New York State Department of Transportation come evaluate the possibility of installing a crosswalk across Rt. 40. Will reach out to Megan to see if she knows a specific person, we should be reaching out to the DOT.
- Idea floated to reach out to our representatives, Jake Ashby and Elise Stefanik, in January to see if they can help with our crosswalk cause.
- Elevator will be serviced December 14th.
- Jennifer is going to track the lighting situation in the Burton Hall parking lot and then possibly circle back with Megan about checking the timer. With the short days, it is very dark when the staff get out of work at the library (and for our patrons, too!).
- Paul Mayes recommended we hold off on resurfacing or reconstruction our parking space for now. Waiting until we get a bigger picture of all needs and possible updating that should be prioritized.

- Considering bringing Tim O'Shea back to Easton in March! Had a great turn out last time.
- Friends of Easton Library Christmas Tree Trimming Party was well attended. Fun was had by all.

New Business

- Mary Jane motions to have the library carpets cleaned. Patricia second the motion. Motion approved unanimously
- The JA small form factor PCs are still delayed.
- Floated ideas regarding a possible EV charger in Easton. Since the library doesn't have a parking lot Jennifer forwarded email to Meghan, the Town of Easton's Town Clerk, since the town has a lovely parking lot across the street.
- Brainstormed ideas around EV car "meet-up" at the library and possibly taking with owner of the new yarn shop in Greenwich.
- The Bi-law committee was resurrected to look at some working documents again.

The next meeting will be January 8th, at 6:30PM.

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