Pomfret Public Library

Board of Trustees

MInutes

May 11, 2021

7:00 PM at the Library

In attendance: Cris Cadiz, Ginger Lusa, Tim Gillane, Laurie Bell, Gary Sturni, John Charest, Sally Rogers, David Ring

Called to order 7:10PM

Acceptance of Minutes of March 9, 2021 meeting: CC moves to accept, GS 2nds; approved unanimously

Treasurer’s Report

• Appears to be on track

Librarian’s Report:

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant:

* PPL to receive $3000, part of a COVID grant through the state (IM LS
* Application due 6/30), must be spent by 2/28/22
* Considering a Patron Counter and tech support/computer management software through Bibliomation

Professional Dev’t

* Designing for a Flexible Future: library design in response to changing libraries and pandemic
* CLA Virtual Conference

Facility

* Office moved to facilitate deck use
* Railing repair: will be done by summer kick-off

Summer Reading Theme: Tails and Tales

* Animals, habitats and ecosystems
* Group sizes limited, outside, registration required (difficult when folks register but don’t show up)
* Kids: Horizon Wings kick-off, Mystic Aquarium are doing closing program at end of the summer, three programs each week for 6 weeks, plus take-and-make crafts and other passive programs
* Teen and Adult: Pet painting open studios, featured titles with a paired presentation, Reading Challenge

June virtual programs: Quiet Corner Reads Author Elizabeth Letts (virtual program) 6/16/21, Tiny Homes 6/10/21

Friends- $1800 in book sales. John Charest will check out the possibility of storing the books at the Old Town House instead of in the library attic.

Misc.: Sidewalk Lemonade Stand? A patron would like to set up a lemonade stand with her grandchildren, who would donate a portion of the funds to the library building fund. Laurie will ask Maureen if it would be OK.

Old Business

Building Expansion Update

 Meeting with State HistoricaI Preservation Organization (SHIPO). They wanted to look at the plan at the site. Wanted to make sure the historic part of the library is delineated. Lynn Cole (Architect) will get us a new drawing to address their concerns.

Building Committee

 Need to form a building committee. Create a list of possible people and a list of qualifications for committee members. Laurie will contact Maureen as what to do next.

S moved, TG 2nd, Adjourned at 8:30PM

 2021 Meeting Dates

June 8, 2021

September 14, 2021

November 9, 2021

Minutes submitted by Sally Rogers, Secretary PPLBT