

MINOT SLEEPER LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

July 8, 2013

Trustees present: Shirley Yorks, George Corrette, Roger Nichols, Archie Auger, Barbara Greenwood, Wendy Costigan, Lucille Keegan. Absent: Rosemary Darcy

Also attending: Sharon Warga, Deborah Thouin

1. Secretary's minutes: Lucille had failed to forward the June minutes therefore they will be approved at the August meeting.

Archie moved to accept the minutes for the special meetings on the solar project which were **held on June 17, 19 and 24. Roger seconded and motion was approved.**

2. Treasurer's report:

- Checkbook balance \$38,837.66
- Investment Pool balance \$24,102.00
- Stock Portfolio \$52,000
- Capital Fund balance \$3544.06
- **Total \$128,483.72**
- Current book fund \$2022.46
- Landscaping account balance \$2296 (more bills to be paid)
- Rebate on Solar project projected to be \$12,200
- Remaining cost of Solar Project \$32,633

Roger reported that he has sent a letter to the NH Dept of Trusts to consolidate the remaining stray trust funds which total about \$6,000. He is also collecting financial policies from other libraries in order to improve on our bookkeeping and have a better way to separate and report our various funds.

3 Librarian's report: (Sharon's report is on the last page of this report)

Sharon will email Brackely Shaw for information about installing automatic door openers. A number of patrons have expressed a need for this.

Sharon will contact Bristol Electric about the outside electrical outlet. People have been using it to charge their devices. One solution would be to have a switch installed inside the building.

Dick Gavalis has built and donated a very nice lectern.

4. Finance committee will meet on July 23 at 2 PM.

5. Old business:

The select board has denied the request for a tax exemption on the Carr land. Archie suggested we could now ask the board to accept the land for town ownership.

Solar panel installation:

Roger has agreed to open the library in the AM and wants to know the dates. Bill has applied for the rebate.

Appreciation Lunch: Sharon will speak to the Friends to set a date in the Fall.

Slates: Some have been sold, painted ones-\$209, Raffle tickets- \$70 George will deposit this money in the Capital Fund. George moved to have Archie order 12 laser etched slates. Roger seconded. Motion approved.

6. New business:

Barbara and Shirley would like to order another granite bench for the outside of the library. On the bench would be *Minot Sleeper Library, February-28-1885*. The cost would be covered with landscaping funds.

It was decided to leave the two signposts in the ground and they can be used to hang banners as needed.

Wendy made a motion to have the clock repaired. Barbara seconded and the motion was approved. Sharon will contact the clock repairman.

Next meeting will be August 12 and we will discuss the budget for 2014.

Lucille Keegan

**Librarian's Monthly Report
7/8/2013**

Programs

- ❑ **Third Monday Book Group:** We will be reading, *It's Not About the Hike* by, Nancy Sporborg. Nancy will be here on August 22nd at 6:30 pm

Special Presentation by Nancy will be on Thursday, August 22nd at 6:30pm

"It's Not About the Hike presentation is for EVERYONE -- hikers and non-hikers, people who are sedentary or active, outdoor enthusiasts and indoor homebodies, 10 year olds and 90 year olds and everyone in between. The presentation is not about the hike; it is an inspirational and motivational program about pushing ourselves outside of our comfort zones, overcoming our own fears, finding our passions and living our lives to the fullest.

The hour-long program is a multi-media presentation including movies, music and photographs. It is both humorous and touching, as the speakers share from their hearts about their personal lives in a way that makes the message and learning universal."

- ❑ **Children's Summer Reading Finale – Pizza Party and Awards:** Wednesday, July 31, 10am
- ❑ **Children's programs will break for the month of August and resume after Labor Day.** Due to the very high attendance at these programs, often more than the room can handle, we will now be requesting that parents sign up for planned 6 week sessions for lapsit and story time. We will be limiting lapsit to 15 babies + parents, story time to 25 children + parents.
- ❑ **On the afternoon of Wednesday, July 10** we will displaying all of the grant books we received from the Libri Foundation. Donna Rhodes from the Plymouth Record Enterprise will be here to do a story on it.
- ❑ **Someone form the NH Humanities Council will attend the Sherlock Holmes presentation on 7/23 to film it for the Council's website**

Friends

- ❑ A \$3000 donation was recently received. Marthur will send a "thank you."

Odds & Ends

- ❑ Several patrons have requested we install automatic door openers on the exterior and interior doors since the doors are heavy
- ❑ We have caught people using the outdoor electrical outlet for their phones and laptops. We have asked them not to, be there are signs that it happens when we are not open. I have asked Bristol Electric to try and find a locking cover for the outlet. So far, they have had no luck but will keep looking
- ❑ Mike Barrett procured 2 big commercial trash bins, as well as 1 large recycle bin for the library. They are on the side of the building and have been working out great.