

Library Trustee Meeting

August, 19, 2024

Canaan Meetinghouse

Present: Cheryl Junker (2026), Nick Lavalley (2026), Kathleen Peters (2025), Cindy Niely (Friends of the Library), Nan Stone (Alternate), Angie Robinson (2027), Derek Herro (2027), Amy Thurber (Librarian)

Minutes from Last Meeting: all approved

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report as submitted, all approved.

A donation has been made of \$1000 in stock to the library from the Baldwin family. All approved. We will look into how best to manage and/or accept the donation.

Our CD is come to maturity. We will renew the CD with the most advantageous interest rate.

Librarian's Report

Library Materials 1857

Libby 711

Kanopy 48

Programs:

- Squam Lake Natural Science Center Wildlife Program. Collaboration with Enfield Library 95 attendees!
 - Story Time August 13
 - Ice Cream Social August 24 @ 12:00pm. Friends are providing volunteers and paid for the ice cream. Thanks to the Friends. We will also have face painting, and a book giveaway.
 - Book Sale: September 28?
- Program Ideas:
- progressive gardening classes that are hands on: ie: from seed to pesto/salsa

Budget: Submitted the library's proposed budget for 2025 to Cariann. There is one change, an increase of \$425 to our Audio/Video line. This increase is intended to cover purchasing more video games for our video game collection and to offset the proposed (but not finalized) increase to our Libby subscription through the state library. We will also see a change to our budget bottom line as the town starts to separate out costs such as electric, heat, and water. Amy will let the Board know when I get the schedule for attending

Garden Grant: as the lettuce went by, Amy planted carrot and borage seeds, and they are coming up. Pepper and celery looking good, and the tomatoes are very nice treats for folks when they visit the library. Plan to start second hydroponic tower with in the next few weeks.

Building: Painting is complete! The crew will be back with a new sign for above the door, and I will ask them to move the garden beds back where they belong.

New Business:

Library Evaluations: staff evaluations will be filled out by the trustees and anonymously submitted to the library by Sept. 10.

Friends of the Library:

- annual letter process is starting
- election for new officers have been done
- toured the upstairs of the library to engage new members
- Asked the trustees to come up with a garden plan that for the library: Kathleen will be contacting Jennifer Fitzgerald about the possibility of getting the MVRHS natural resource program involved.

Next Meeting: Sept. 16 in the Canaan Town Meetinghouse @ 5:45pm