

Haston Library Trustee Meeting
April 14, 2020 @ 6pm
Via Conference Call

6:03 Call to order by deb.

Attendance: Josh Worman, deb Grennon, Stacie Tremblay, Sue Clark, Maria Studebaker, Linda Hartman, Jeff Teitelbaum.

Absent: Pam Deuso (resigned)

Citizens Present: Paula Tremblay

Agenda Amendments: Add trustee vacancy under other business.

Comments from citizens: Paula informed the board of a reading incentive bingo program at Franklin Central School. Program asking for donation of fishing poles to be given out as a prize. Linda will donate a fishing pole. Deb offered to deliver prizes if needed.

Franklin Rec. Dept. Update:

All upcoming programs have been cancelled. Rec. may hold a virtual run/scavenger hunt.

Thank You, Paula.

6:18 Meeting Minutes: Linda made a motion to approve Feb. 13, 2020 minutes. Sue seconded. Discussion: Typo, Jash should read Josh on bottom of 2nd page. Motion passed, unanimous.

Financial Report: Not available at time of meeting. Tabled until next meeting.

Bylaws: 6:22 Sue made a motion to approve Bylaws as is. Linda seconded. Motion passed, unanimous.

Old Business:

Town Meeting went well. Smaller crowd at lunch than previous years. \$782 raised. List of community members bringing dishes needs to be revised since the same people have been generously participating for years. Linda will revise the list.

New Business:

Election of Officers of the Board:

Chair: Stacie nominated by Sue. Jeff seconded. Unanimously in favor.

Vice Chair: deb nominated by Stacie. Jeff seconded. Unanimously in favor.

Secretary: Sue nominated by deb. Stacie seconded. Unanimously in favor.

Treasurer: Jeff nominated by Linda. Jeff rescinded nomination. Linda nominated by Stacie. Jeff seconded. Unanimously in favor.

Reorganization of Committees: Tabled until next meeting.

Josh will update the website and Trustee Contact Sheet with officer's positions.

Possible Town Clerk Office relocation:

Sue has emailed the town clerk stating the board's concern for possible relocation of the town clerk's office. She asked that the board be included on future talks as relocation will directly affect the library. Concerns include safety, security & need to hire staff to monitor the area. Josh and board agree that the area would need significant renovating to become a useful space and, therefore, would not like it to be used as a part of the library. Josh finds the current set-up is perfect for the community, although a space for the historical society might work well. Sue did not hear back, and will follow up with a letter to the select board.

Programming & COVID19:

Josh has scheduled and received a grant for Backpack Theatre in June. This will likely have to be cancelled.

Josh has scheduled a speaker on the Fenian Raids, through the VT Humanities council, for Memorial day weekend. This may also have to be cancelled, or moved online.

Josh has started planning a summer reading program. He will be taking webinars on summer reading performance grants and summer reading program planning. He will continue researching book lists for book purchases as well as begin brainstorming ideas for the new strategic plan for the upcoming years. Josh will make note of lower patron count as well as outgoing books due to COVID19.

Circulation of books has stopped, due to COVID19. Because of the state's current stay home policy, programs will have to be offered online, if possible. This will ensure the library's mission of providing a safe "space" with access to resources and information with a variety of programs offered.

Patrons have been using the available wifi from the library parking lot. Josh has provided links to online resources on the library's Facebook page. Use of Overdrive is up and a new genealogy resource is available, with links on the library's website.

Other ideas for continuing to serve the community include a mailing list or newsletter, as well as continued use of advertising through the telephone company.

The library will continue to follow the Governor's recommendations on when to re-open as well as social distancing, limiting the number of people in the library, recommending the use of masks and gloves, and cleaning and disinfecting the library and books.

Other Business:

Sue will get a Record Retention List from the state for Josh to help with file-keeping.

Trustee Vacancy: Pam Deuso has decided to resign from the board, leaving an empty seat for a term ending 2022. Stacie will give Pam's resignation letter to Josh to put on file. Josh will ask Loryn Kempton if she would be interested in joining the board.

The next meeting will be held on May 21, 2020. This is a change from our regularly scheduled meeting. The board hopes to meet in person, after the stay home policy is scheduled to be lifted (May 15, 2020).

7:28 Sue moved to adjourn. Seconded by Linda. Unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stacie Tremblay

