

Fair Haven Free Library Board of Directors  
Monthly Board Meeting  
Wednesday, July 19, 2023

Present: Carol Scott, Judy Gevry, Chris Sheldon, Ceil Hunt, Ron Stack and Thom Bruso

Judy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The minutes of the June meeting were distributed and reviewed. Chris moved to accept the minutes of the June 21, 2023, meeting as written. Thom seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was handed out for review. The Board was reminded that not all of the bills for June have been received or paid. We will be able to finalize the end of year statement for the next meeting. All sprinkler repair money that was encumbered will be spent in August. Budget Summary includes:

Total Town funding as of April 30, 2023: \$68,641.50

Interest on CD: \$134.59

Grant funding: \$1,371.35

Ron moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Thom seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Librarian's Report was given.

- Volunteer hours for the month of June were 119
- Twelve Book Club members met to discuss Spirit Traffic on June 12<sup>th</sup> in the library.
- Automation project continues. Our totals at the end of June were 1302 patrons and 16,934 books entered in the system. In June we added 3 patrons. We also added 70 items to the system and discarded 30.
- We purchased a second State Park pass for \$50. It arrived in early June.
- The Friends held a meeting on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Five members attended. People have been gathering angel supplies. The clock was approved and ordered. The TV was approved. Dani will donate a wall mount. An Alfred Hitchcock program is set for Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Jen Clement will show us how to use the Cricket machine on Friday June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The Friends held a book sale on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup>. That sale made \$144 downstairs and \$15 upstairs. Next sale will be Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup>. The Friends are accepting books from the public this week.
- Friends held angel work nights on Tuesday July 11<sup>th</sup> (4 people) and Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup> (3 people)
- We have a beautiful new Lucinda Sayre painting on the wall in the Reading Room donated by Joy and Thom. Ceil will send a thank you to Joy for this beautiful donation.
- On Monday July 10<sup>th</sup> Carl installed the TV in the meeting room.

- Story Walk began in the park on Friday July 14<sup>th</sup>. Three people worked decorating pages on Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup>. Two people worked on Friday July 7 and Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup>. We are very grateful to Nate for coordinating this project.
- Story time is going very well. On Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup> there were 5 children and 5 adults. On July 11<sup>th</sup> there were 37 children and 15 adults and on July 18<sup>th</sup> there were 35 children and 12 adults.
- 20 older children and 4 counselors visited the library on Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup> for a tour and to pick up a book to take home.
- Our display of Vox books and Wonderbooks is set up in the children's area. We are excited to offer these titles to our patrons.
- Royal Glass will be here on Tuesday August 8<sup>th</sup> to do a fire inspection.
- The town auditors met in the meeting room on Wednesday July 12<sup>th</sup>. 3 members attended.
- Updates: outside use of the meeting room
- Next meeting will be August 16, 2023

The Board discussed the cost of fuel oil. Thom reported that the bid from Sam's U-Save was \$2.99 per gallon for pre-orders. This is lower than last year. Ceil moved to have the library pre-order fuel at the cost of \$2.99 per gallon from Sam's U-Save Fuels. Ron seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Thom will contact Al to let them know we will be purchasing our oil from them.

Ceil moved to adjourn at 7:35PM. Ron seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Ceil Hunt