

## Brownell Library Trustees January 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Linda Costello Dorothy Bergendahl, Andy Kolovos, Joe Knox Wendy Hysko, Megan Allison, Spencer Messier, Carrie Egan, Ann Wadsworth, Beth Custer, Jeanne Grant, Christine Packard, Sheila Porter

Meeting called to order January 21 , 2020 at 7:05 PM.

Dottie moved to accept minutes of the last meeting. Sheila provided the second. All agreed.

Dottie Bergendahl reviewed the financial report which was acknowledged by Sheila Porter and Dottie B.

Tuesday February 4, 2020 there will be a Ground Hog Day dinner to honor and thank the library volunteers The dinner will run from 5 to 8.

Thursday at 6:30 there will be a program at the high school entitled Screen-Agers, The Next Chapter.

Dottie announced that attendance at the 1st Wednesday programs has been light. The Reporter has not been helpful about reporting Brownell Library news and events.

Foundation Members passed out bookmarks at First Wednesday. Books are being collected and organized for Senior Valentine packages.

### Old Business

Christine attended a meeting at the Essex Free Library in preparation for the upcoming merger vote and the plan for libraries.

### New Business

The library will obtain a new frame to display the photo of the current Trustees. It was agreed to spend up to a \$150.00 Dottie moved to accept the motion, Sheila second.

Bridget Myers has ideas about new programs for the library. She wants to develop a short survey to enable community members to express their ideas on how to improve the library and bring new people in.

The Tuesday current events discussion is drawing an enthusiastic crowd. There will now be a monthly evening current events discussion on the fourth Monday.

On March 25 there will be a program that will feature Stan Sloan, an expert on NATO.

#### Election of Officers

All current officers are willing to serve again. Dottie moved to accept their offer and Sheila voiced the second. Those present agreed.

Staff Update: Susan is retiring. Hannah will take maternity leave this summer: May, June, and July.

At 8:02 Dottie made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sheila seconded the motion. All agreed.

Submitted by Linda Costello