

Library Board Meeting - January 28, 2020

Members Present: Library Director Christina Becker; Board Members Jen Baker-Porazinski, Sue Sawyer, Mary Laedlein, Klm Crowe, and Monica Ravreby

JBP made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes. MR seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

There was no treasurer's report this month since BO is absent.

New Business:

CB is working on updating the library newsletter. This will be distributed through the Free Press and the Eagle insert when it is complete.

Library Director Report:

CB reviewed the proposed budget for 2020-2010 fiscal year. KC made a motion to accept the budget. MR seconded. All were in favor.

CB has done some research about exploring becoming fine-free and suggests we hold a public meeting in the spring to discuss with our patrons. We also discussed consideration of a trial period of being fine-free.

CB spoke with Sara Dallas about the availability of grants and they will be discussing this soon.

There is a Finance Workshop scheduled for 2/11 at 6:00. This talk will be about "Making Your Money Work for You" which will be about investing money. In March there will be a women's money management workshop. The January workshop on debt management was moved until April.

Patricia Jennings requested in her will that friends and family donate to the Cambridge Library for children books. To date we have received just over \$1700.

The January Climate Crisis presentation was successful with over 40 patrons in attendance. Sue Van Hook, Kevin Maher and Mark Anderson are going to doing a follow up presentation on Capturing Carbon in the Soil on 2/1 at 2:00.

CB is beginning work on the next edition of "The Villager".

Betsy and CB are working on summer reading programs.

CB notes we are subscribing for Newsbank which will allow access to a database for periodicals.

Erin Boggan will be here on 2/1 for tax preparation. SS made a motion to pay the \$100 stipend for her services. MR seconded.

Betsy and CB were invited to present to the WIC program in Fort Edward on May 13 in celebration of Mother's Day.

The next library board meeting will be held at 4:45 on Tuesday 3/10/20.