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| **Presque Isle Community Library - Board of Trustees** | |
| Meeting Category: | Approved Regular Meeting Minutes |
| Date : | August 8, 2023 |
| Time : | 4:00 pm |
| Location : | Library and Via Zoom, as needed: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83723498067 |

1) **Call to Order:** Keith Stanosz (KS). The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm.

2) **Roll Call of Members/Introduction of Visitors:** KS.

*Present*: KS, Christal Schermeister-Simons (CSS), Merry Beckel (MB), Mary Koster (MK), Joe Kemnitz (JK), Christine Wallace (CW), and Vicki Gillett (VG).

*Visitors*: Kip Decker

*Absent*: Town Board Liaison

3) **Agenda approval/modification:** KS. MB moved to approve the agenda; motion seconded by MK; passed unanimously.

4) **Approval of Minutes:** KS. CW moved to approve the July 11, 2023, minutes as submitted; motion seconded by MK; passed unanimously.

5) **Treasurer’s report:** KS. CSS reviewed the August income and expense reports. MB made the motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report with $6,871.15 in projected expenses for August; motion seconded by MK; passed unanimously.

6) **Library Director’s Report:** KS. CSS presented her Director’s report.

**a) Art in the Library.** The Material Girls Quilt Exhibit was set up on July 31 for the month of

August. A reception held on Saturday, August 5th, was well attended with a total of about 90

people. Holding the reception on the same day as the Lions’ rummage sale next door at the

community center likely contributed to the high attendance number.

Polly Sievert will exhibit her artwork in September but now is unable to continue into October. An

artist reception for Polly is planned for September 5th. An alternative exhibit is in the works for

October. November/December may need an alternative exhibit to the one originally planned.

CSS is looking for ideas or suggestions for a November/December exhibit.

**b)** **Northwoods Book Festival.** Plans are moving along. FOL members have volunteered to

provide refreshments for the event. Funding for the event is now covered.

**c) Sustainable Shelves.** This recycling program through Baker & Taylor is now only accepting

books that can be resold. Alternatives for recycling old books that cannot be resold are being

evaluated.

**d) Monthly Office Hours.** Christal’s office hours remain the same.

7) **Committee Reports:** KS.

**a) Volunteer Recognition Event.** The event will be a luncheon this year rather than a dinner. The

date selected is Thursday, September 14, at noon in the community center. Martha Kelly’s

catering service has been chosen to provide the food. The menu is being finalized.

8) **Old Business:** KS.

**a) Library of Things.** CSS reported that the Land O’ Lakes library has developed a “library of

things.” Christal will get more information as to what the library has included in their collection

and report back to the board.

9) **New Business:** KS.

**a) Bank CD Rates.** KS reported that bank CD rates recently have risen to levels in the range

of 4.25 to 4.50 percent. He raised the question as to whether now would be a good time to

move library funds currently held in a regular savings account into a CD or CDs. After discussion

among the board, all were in favor of taking this action as soon as possible. JK made a motion to

authorize KS to investigate CD rates at Headwaters Bank, and if near the range of 4.25 to 4.50

percent, have the bank move the existing funds from regular savings into a CD or CD(s), and for

Keith to report back at the September 12 board meeting. MB seconded the motion. The motion

passed unanimously. KS said he would move forward with this immediately.

**b) Board Member Positions.** KS reported that September will be Vicki Gillett’s last board meeting

due to her relocation from the area. Kip Decker is slated to replace her on the board, pending the

town board’s authorization. Kip applied for a trustee position last fall and was interviewed and selected by the board to step into this position at the time of Vicki’s departure. He has attended

board meetings as a guest during the past year. Merry Beckel’s Trustee position also will require

a replacement when her term ends in December, for which a search will begin this fall.

10) **Public Comment:** KS. None.

11) **Adjournment:** KS. 4:54 p.m.

**Next regular meeting date: September 12, 2023 at 4:00 p.m., in person and via Zoom, as needed.**

(Members who expect to be absent or who plan to attend by Zoom are reminded to contact CSS or KS in

advance of the meeting.)

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki Gillett, Secretary