

**EAST HADDAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**May 10, 2018**

**6:30 pm at the EHFPL Branch**

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Bill Barney , Joanne Rocznik, Dawn Barlow, Juliana Tryon Ranaudo, Janine Broe , Jane Chisholm, John Bielot, Vicki Riley

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** Andrea Pascal

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michael Gilroy, Emmett Lyman (for a portion of the meeting)

The meeting was called to order at 6:37pm. Minutes from April 12, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

**Director's Report:**

The EH Art League reception is on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Dawn, Janine and Vicki agreed to help coordinate.

Michael encouraged board participation in the upcoming library events (i.e. Wildlife Program)

**Committee Reports:**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

The committee looked over the budget again at the last meeting. We will be getting less money this year from the Rathbun Trust. The group will be looking to understand the fees that are being charged by the bank.

The new historical shelving is in process with installation scheduled for July/August.

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE:**

The family that had originally committed to participate in a series of videos showing how a family uses the library in different ways pulled out, but a new family has already been identified.

Facebook will be updated with new graphics and patron quotes aimed at getting the public engaged. The slogan will be *"Get linked into the Heart of the Community"*.

The *"What we are reading"* campaign is on track.

The bike rodeo has been pushed back to June 9<sup>th</sup>. We are working with Parks and Rec and other town organizations.

July 13<sup>th</sup> will be a Super Hero movie night and August is still slated for the "Dog Days of Summer", which will feature a dog parade and rescue event.

The Library participated in the April 28<sup>th</sup> Celebrate East Haddam event. About a dozen new patrons signed up for library cards.

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:**

There was no governance meeting in May. The next meeting is scheduled for July.

**PLANNING COMMITTEE:**

3 individuals replied to the newspaper entry requesting citizen participation (Mike Callahan, John Provo and Beth Dillion). Bill presented their credentials. Michael mentioned that a patron, Fern Trembly, had expressed some interest and Dawn reminded the group that Bob Casner had verbally expressed possible interest.

George Fellner let Michael know that he is willing to consult on the committee as appropriate.

The Board will vote to select 3 members and 2 alternates under New Business.

**Unfinished Business:**

The status of the building transfer of the EHFPL branch was questioned by Emmett Lyman. John explained that Attorney Jezek is working with the town attorney and speaking with the Attorney General.

**New Business:**

Joanne moved that the 3 individuals that replied to the newspaper entry be selected as permanent members of the Planning Committee and Mr. Trembly and Mr. Casner be appointed as alternates. Janine seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection. Bill will contact the individuals to let them know.

East Haddam Planning and Zoning is surveying the public as they work to update the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development. This document provides "a long-term vision for the Town and guide decision making relating to growth, development, and conservation over the next ten years". The Board encourages everyone to participate in the survey

<http://www.easthaddam.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=content.pageDetails&id=214754&typeID=102>

Joanne will be driving her car in the Memorial Day Parade and would like people to join her. Janine agreed to ride with her. Juliana will reach out to the Rathbun Friends and Jane will contact the EHFPL friends to see if they would like to participate.

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:34pm.

The next meeting will be July 12, 2018 at the Rathbun Branch.