

**THOMASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Library Board Minutes**

October 6, 2015



Attendance: Peter Foley, Bea Fuller, Maryann Sandford, Maryann Hyres, Rita Ostrander, Karen O'Connell, Phyllis Nardella, Melanie Dobos, and Jim Kaniewski (7:46)

Library Director: Debra Radosevich

The meeting was called to order at 7:12pm by the Karen O'Connell.

Public Comment: None

Communication: Received a TSB grant of \$2,000.00.

Secretary's Report- Sandy Sandford made a motion to approve the minutes of the September meeting as presented. Rita O. seconded the motion. All in favor-motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The current budget report was reviewed. The Treasurer also provided a report with the current balances of all the library accounts. Peter Foley made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Bea Fuller seconded the motion. All in favor- motion passed.

**Committee Reports**

Steering: None

Maintenance: Five of the outdoor pole lights are not working and are in the process of being repaired but it has taken one year and seven months to get the new parts. They are under warranty and the wrong parts were sent so it may take up to one year to get the correct parts and have them installed. There are still holes in the ceiling in the Children's Library where new lights installed. Both the outdoor lights and the Children's Library lights were done by the company that was subcontracted by Johnson Controls. The work was a part of the town-wide energy audit project.

Budget: None

Personnel: The current policy needs to be reviewed. Debra and Peter are reviewing the document first and then the committee will meet as needed.

By-Laws: None

Long Range Planning: None

Report of the Librarian: Debra is working on getting quotes to renovate the community room. Some of the figures are too high for our budget so we are looking at ways to reduce the work and the cost of materials. We will try to find cheaper wainscoting and trim. We may consider asking the Friends of the TPL for additional funds to finish the room.

Staff account has an increase in funds because we now offer faxing services. In the past we would send people needing to fax to the Ink Spot but decided to add the service for their convenience. We charge \$1 per page for faxing.

Old Business: Car shows book sale raised a total of \$825.00 for the library. Many members commented that it seemed to worked better to hold the sale in front of the library instead of the Rotary garden.

New Business: Karen O. informed the Board of the need to have a nominating committee to present a list of officers for 2016. Jim K., Maryann Hyres and Phyllis Nardella were appointed. Maryann will be chair and will report the results at the December meeting.

Adjournment: Sandy Sandford made a motion to adjourn at 7:56. Bea seconded the motion. All in favor- motion passed.