

Minutes of the Friends of the Hampton Falls Free Library

Date: Wednesday June 5, 2019

Present: Nancy Axelson, Susi Burke, Lisa Hayes, Donna Onacki, Deborah Regan, Alisha Roberts, Jane Shanahan, Sheila Tanguay, Barbara Tosiano, Judy Wilson

Discussed:

1. May Minutes approved
2. Treasurers report
 - a. \$8621.70 after 2 outstanding checks clear
3. Program recap
 - a. Shaker Legacy
 - i. Sat – 15 people
 - ii. Great program
 - b. Ansel Adams
 - i. 42 people
 - ii. very well received
 - c. Invasive plants
 - i. 18 people
4. Seabrook Dog Track Update: Jane and Judy
 - a. Jane and Judy went to the track the day before Kentucky Derby
 - b. Met with Gerri Chaskho introduced them to the team including Mike who will be running it
 - c. Looking for charities for 2020 slots
 - d. Followed up with email explaining library as community center and operating budget at 1% of total town/school budget
 - e. Gerri “borrowed” the backpack idea and was bringing it back to her own community
 - f. Seabrook is a huge facility with large function room
 - g. Could do a fundraiser there; they have liquor license
5. Lebanon Poker Room 2019 Dates
 - a. On list for Oct 22-26, Oct 29th-Nov 2nd 2019
6. Museum Updates:
 - a. The Fells in Newbury. NH
 - i. There are 2 passes for each day
 - ii. By Mount Sunapee
7. History of Beer Talk update (Deborah):
 - a. Deborah checked out UNH website and contacted Cheryl Parker
 - b. Cheryl teaches a short hour on history of beer
 - c. Cheryl gave two additional contacts
 - i. Cynthia Van Zant teaches beer history at UNH in a different dept
 - ii. Ian Goring the brewer at Tributary Brewery in Kittery is quite the expert in German beer history specifically.
 - d. Nov 7th or 14th?
8. June Programs
 - a. Backyard Birds tomorrow 6/6

- b. Jane will help setup and sell raffle
- 9. Backpack use update
 - a. Gone out a couple times – once to boy scout troop
 - b. Bethlehem library liked the idea and called to get info which Barbara passed along
- 10. Environmental Update
 - a. Sarah Atkinson/reusable produce bags – hold off until April and do an earth day program.
 - b. 50th anniversary of Earth Day
 - c. Multiple events through April
- 11. Basket Fundraiser: Herb Farmacy (Lisa)
 - a. Can be used at Farmers Market or Store
- 12. Summer Reading Program
 - a. Children's program – Leah
 - i. Friends are funding Center for Wildlife
 - ii. Request for funding for book store gift card for 5th to 8th grade – do this for Water Street bookstore instead of B&N this year
 - iii. Walmart usually gives under \$50 for a bike and Leah would like a extra \$15
 - iv. 82 kids sign up for reading program; 50 – 60 3yrs – 4th; 20 or so 5th grade and up
 - v. Approved 2 bikes and helmets and 2 \$30 gift cards
 - b. Adult Prize – Barbara
 - i. 12 local businesses have given prizes including some new businesses in the area
 - ii. Requested \$100 Water Street Bookstore gift card - this is approved
- 13. Annual Elections
 - a. Chair/Co Chair – Jane/Sheila
 - b. Vice-Chair - Lisa
 - c. Secretary – Susi
 - d. Treasurer - Alisha

Meeting adjourned: 7:45 PM

Next meeting: Wednesday August 7, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Susi Burke, Secretary