

## Minutes of the Friends of the Hampton Falls Free Library

**Date:** Wednesday November 6, 2019

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

### **Discussed:**

1. October Minutes – Lisa was present but not on list; approved with that one exception
2. Treasurers report
  - a. \$7,361.03
  - b. \$11,547.20 from poker room but owe \$2000 to pay for 8 days
  - c. Two days are not accounted for, maybe November 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> ; Alisha will follow up
3. Seabrook Dog Track Update:
  - a. Judy sent books to Gerri on snow and she was going to reciprocate with books on desert. Should find out in November about whether accepted or not at Seabrook.
4. Lebanon Poker Room Update
  - a. See Treasury report above
5. Program Recaps
  - a. Here's to Beer: The History and Production of the World's Favorite Drink
    - i. Oct 3 at 6:30
    - ii. Bruce Heilshorn (Earth Eagle Brewers) and Emerson Baker (professor at Salem)
    - iii. Great presentation, received really well, not large crowd
  - b. Bears in NH
    - i. Oct 17 at 6:30
    - ii. NH Fish and Games
    - iii. 31 people
6. Upcoming Program Updates
  - a. Songs and Stories of WWII
    - i. Nov 7<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. Bringing artifacts from WWII
    - iii. Traditional and original music
  - b. Cookie Exchange
    - i. Saturday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. Could do a raffle baskets; Friends to sell tickets
    - iii. Commit ahead of time, certain number of cookies to bake
7. Museum / Backpack Update
  - a. 71 Museum passes so far
  - b. Strawberry Banke has Nov and Dec events
8. Future programs
  - a. Not much to report on authors except Deborah didn't think much of Beantown Girls so probably will not reach out to that author
  - b. Susi will look more into YA/Children's authors to try to find one in the area. If YA, maybe try for summer? Look for book that adult and YA group can read
  - c. Jan: maybe Scott Faiia about Egypt
  - d. Feb: Local candidates

- e. Jordan Tirell-Wysocki (Humanities) – Songs of Emigration: Storytelling through Traditional Irish Music
  - f. April 9<sup>th</sup>: Zero Waste, Sarah Atkinson, Confirmed
  - g. April 22<sup>nd</sup> Earth Day Fair: looking for companies/individuals to have tables on composting or some other earth day topic
  - h. May 21<sup>st</sup>: Votes for Women with Liz Tentarelli (Humanities) - Confirmed
  - i. Paul Revere with Michael Maler from Historic NE Dates TBD (Feb 6<sup>th</sup> or May 7 or June 4<sup>th</sup>) - \$200 + travel
  - j. Power of Laughter possible program, Merrimac Library program this month
9. Trustee updates (Judy Wilson)
- a. Passed around copies of parking lot proposals for both walkway to Safety Complex and doubling the amount of parking
  - b. Waiting for costs
  - c. Next meeting she will have finalized warrant articles
10. Canva, Graphic Software
- a. Free for non profits – so this will be registered with Friends and Library can use as well
11. Cookbook sale – Nov 19-20, \$5 a piece
12. Automatic Doors
- a. Barbara will look into cost
13. Leah - requests
- a. Summer reading – CLNH conference, great roster of performers, grant for KBA (January application)
  - b. Playful Engineers – Rube Goldberg machines and kids make their own; was great speaker; 2 hour program, Wednesday in summer; over 3+; can handle up to 100; only in NH for week or two so wants to confirm, \$500 plus mileage, approved
  - c. iPad for in-house staff to post for social media in order to do teen take over; green screen movies. Approved.

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:00 PM

**Next meeting:** Wednesday December 4, 2019 at 6:30 pm

**Action Items:**

Respectfully submitted,  
Susi Burke, Secretary