

Mary L. Blood Library Trustees' Meeting  
June 23, 2016

Present: Trustees: Tom Kenyon, Edson Pierce, Richard Beatty, Chris Wagner, and Librarian of the Mary L. Blood Library Jennifer Rathburn. John Cocke was absent.

Note: Meeting agenda had not been properly posted, decided it was a scheduled meeting but did not take up any financial or new business.

Minutes of May 19, 2016 were considered and accepted.

Librarian's Report June 2016:

This has been a quiet month, with only a couple of reading patrons stopping by, besides our steady visitors who come in without fail just to visit.

We've been given an autographed copy of Adam Boyce's compilation of his grandmother's writing called "Because I Loved the Daffodil: writings of a Vermont farm wife". It is delightful reading about simpler times. I have sent him a thank you note. He would like to come in to do a talk when we are able to host programs.

Another gentleman, Ron Krupp called one day then e-mailed info about his books, titles including The Woodchucks Guide to Gardening, The Woodchuck Returns and Lifting the Yoke, all regarding self-sufficiency and sustainability written with common sense and humor. He's semi-local (Burlington) and is available, too, for talks.

Word from the State Library is that the Annual Park Passes and Historic Sites Passes are set to be mailed out soon.

I have obtained the Dorothy Canfield Fisher summer reading list but don't know whether we want to order any, since we rarely see any children here.

Something has gone wrong with our old clock. It's been fine until about 3 weeks ago when it began chiming the hour on the half-hour and vice-versa. No idea what happened to it.

We could still use a new phone here. One with an answering capability and caller ID would be perfect.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Rathburn

----Old Business:

(1) Briefly discussed malfunctioning wall clock. Tom noted British Clockmaker stopped by last Friday and clock timing was reset and now the clock works fine. Due for five year maintenance in 2017.

(2) Jennifer had requested a new phone with ID. Tom got the new phone yesterday from Best Buy at a cost of \$69.99 and the librarian stated the phone works great.

(3) Discussed the new EC Fiber connection and concern about the speed. We thought we needed a new router but this has not been confirmed.

(4) Discussed restroom and the new septic line. Tom noted the line is in fact connected to the library building so he will arrange for the plumber as soon as the new door/wall is installed by the Corrections folk. An empty four inch diameter PVC pipe will be run from the basement of the parsonage to the basement of the library so the town water can be connected up by the plumber at any time. Jennifer asked how much storage space would be in the new restroom. Tom stated that could be determined after the fixtures are installed.

(5) Preparations continue for the 4th of July book sale. It was decided to again use the tent outside but will need three sturdy tables. Tom will move three over from the Grange Hall for our use.

New Business:

(1)None.

Next meeting is at 4 pm at MLB Library on Thursday, July 28 so all of the Trustees can likely attend and also much of the restroom work should be started or finished.

Tom Kenyon,  
Secretary