

Mary L. Blood Library Trustees' Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2016

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

Minutes of April 21, 2016, were considered and accepted.

Librarian's Report May 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 to call clock repair company and schedule a visit to the clock.
- (2) Jennifer requested again a new phone with ID. Tom to get the new phone.
- (3) Discussed the new EC Fiber connection and concern about the speed. Decided we need a new router.
- (4) Discussed new septic line. Tom noted the line is 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.
- (5) Preparations for the 4th of July book sale continue.

New Business:

- (1) Tom noted we are still storing in the basement some of the 4th of July stuff and also some of the emergency supplies such as sand bags.
- (2) Next meeting is at 4 pm at MLB Library on Thursday, June 23.

Tom Kenyon, Secretary