

July 10, 2024

The Board Meeting of the Hudson Falls Free Library was called to order by President Arlene Baker at 6:30PM.

Trustees present: Arlene Baker, Jeffrey Zappieri, Ann Francato, Bethanie Lawrence and Emily Forbes-Wood Interim Director.

Absent: Kay Hafner Library Director and Emily Murphy.

Minutes from the May 8, 2024 meeting were read individually. Bethanie Lawrence made a motion to accept the minutes and Jeffrey Zappieri seconded.

There was no official Treasurer's Report. All expenditures have been covered.

A phone conference with Emmett Smith, CEO of the Saranac Lake Region Northern Power and Light was held. This is a company that produces eco-friendly hydro power. Mr. Smith explained that there is no extra cost for the service. Savings for us would depend on usage.

Bethanie Lawrence made a motion to subscribe for Northern Power and Light Hydro Power. Jeffrey Zappieri seconded. The subscriber agreement can be found online.

Emily Forbes-Wood presented the Interim Directors Report.

--Kay Hafner has had her Kidney Transplant. Recovery is going well. She will be out for the rest of the summer.

--Emily Forbes-Wood has taken the role of Interim Director.

--Beth Sanger has been hired as Library Assistant.

--CWI Cleaning has been cancelled. We are looking for another cleaner.

--The piano is still for sale.

--The Stewarts Grant is being used for Family Movie Night and a Kindle Kids for SRP.

-- Kids programs are doing well. Summer Reading Program is in full swing.

--Adult Programs include Gardening, Beekeeping and a Paint and Sip is tentatively Scheduled for August.

--The two night time book clubs have been cancelled for July and August.

-- Library Newsletter is going strong.

--Facebook/Instagram Marketing (Beth Sanger is an editor on the page)

Our next meeting will be in September. Exact date to be announced.

There being no further business to discuss Jeffrey Zappieri made a motion to adjourn. Arlene Baker seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Francato, Secretary

