

Attendance: Bernice Johnson, Kathi Patterson, Richard Scheuer, Brenda Freeland (Librarian)

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Treasurer's Report
- 3) 2014 Budget Review
- 4) Other Business
- 5) Librarian's Report
- 6) Adjournment

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm at the library.

2) Treasurer's Report

Kathi handed out copies of the spreadsheet detailing the monies spent so far in 2013. She reviewed what has been spent throughout the year. One big expense was the need to replace the blower motor on the furnace. Richard suggested we contact Hinkley to find out if they offer a furnace plan.

3) 2014 Budget Review

Individual item allocations for the 2014 budget were discussed. Most items will be level-funded. The librarian's salary was increased by 1%. Janitor expenses will be kept as a budget item even though Kathi donates her time. The electricity allocation was increased to reflect the use of a dehumidifier in the basement. The fuel oil allocations were increased to reflect an increase in price. Overall, the 2014 expenses show an increase of \$421.58

Kathi will forward the 2014 budget request information to Mary at the Selectmen's office for review by the Finance Committee and the Selectmen. She will finalize the other reports and forward them when they are due for inclusion in the Town Report.

Bernie made the motion to accept the 2014 budget as proposed. After a second by Richard, the motion passed.

4) Other Business

Richard has contacted several local contractors concerning the costs to repair the bottom front step. Kathi said she had sent a request for advice from the selectmen as to the procedure for requesting funds from the capital reserve account to cover the cost of repair for the step, the handrail, the back slate roof on the children's' room, and the leaning back entrance structure.

5) Librarian Report

Brenda spoke about the magazines that don't seem to get signed out or read at the library. We will probably not renew them.

Several patrons have asked if the library provides e-books. She offered to talk more with local librarians about procedures, costs, and issues before we offer this service.

She will start requesting patron email addresses as a way to send overdue notices.

6) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bernice Johnson, President