Bentley Memorial Library Board Regular Meeting Tuesday May 14, 2024 206 Bolton Center Road, Bolton CT

1) Call to order:

Ms. Holliman opened the regular meeting at 4:00 pm.

2) Attendance:

Present at the regular meeting were Chair Rebecca Holliman, Board members Clair Fazzina, Loni Hryn Dot Neil and Library Director Liz Thornton. Board members absent with notice were Brook Nowak and Kelly Goldsnider.

3) Minutes:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 12, 2024. A motion by Ms. Neil, seconded by Ms. Fazzina to approve minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4) Correspondence:

None

5) Review of Monthly Statistical Report:

April and May statistics are both high with down loadable material very high. We have printed information for patrons and visitors explaining our collections.

6) Review of Monthly Library Budget Summary:

Ms. Thornton reported that the budget is on track.

7) Director's Report:

The Town Building and Grounds staff finished our patio just in time for the Bolton Great Together reception. People in attendance were very pleased with the plants, stones and solar light from the Lions Club.

Passport to CT Libraries program was a great success with 225 people visiting the Bolton Library. Bags, maps and stickers were distributed.

Sixty-six patrons attended our indoor walk during National Library Week.

Friends of the Library are meeting regularly. The next meeting is June 1 at 6:30. This groups of seven members takes care of the book sale, book bags and Sweets for Seniors. Other fundraising ideas are for a coffee bar in the future.

We participated jointly with the "Read Across America" program with Bolton Center School.

Book discussions are well attended, especially at noon time. This month's book is The Wager by David Grann.

All American Waste with Brian Popovich and the Conservation Commission with Rod Parlee provided recycling updates for our patrons.

Other programs were Behind the Scenes at Bushnell Memorial, and The Beaver with Ray Hardy and Ginny Apple from DEEP.

The Teen Advisory Board meeting has been rescheduled for June. The Board members unanimously approved the vote to continue this program.

8) Old Business:

None

9) New Business:

We will cancel our June meeting and meet in September.

10) Adjournment:

A motion was made by Ms. Holliman seconded by Ms. Fazzina to adjourn the meeting at 5:09 pm. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Loni Hryn

Bentley Memorial Library Board Member