03/18/2024

Attending: Judy Zinn, Arlene Horn, Jean Nardi, Carey Braidt, Erica Shott, Sarah Porter,

Stephen Niles (Director) **Absent:** Anniken Davenport

Called to order: 07:04pm

Public Comment:

Peter Casenhiser was present to give Public Comment

Naming a star after Gene Higgins w/RVT, Historical Society (Carey added she would let the Congregational Church know)

Signing Event for Soft Mud of France by Greg Vail late April early May

Revisit Open Hours - switch Tues/Thurs and Wed/Fri - to be discussed later.

Election of Officers:

Nominations:

President- Judy Jean 1st/Arlene 2nd passed unanimously

Secretary- Anniken Davenport Judy 1st/Carey 2nd passed unanimously

Treasurer- Erica Judy 1st/Jean 2nd passed unanimously

Approving February Minutes:

Erica 1st/Arlene 2nd

Discussion- none

Passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

Reports are still not showing exactly how we want them, seems to be a Quickbooks issue.

Endowment End of Year report (2023) \$181,446.68.

Jean 1st/Sarah 2nd

Discussion- the decision was made to not put any from the checking account into the endowment.

Passed unanimously

Directors Report:

Programming-

03/30 Easter Egg Hunt 9-11am on the Green

06/08 Wild Tales with Live Animals 11am at the Library (Southern Vermont Natural History Museum)

07/03 Pollinators/Butterflies 11am at the Library (Jerry Schneider)

August Vikings TBD at the Library (Vikings of Ullr) waiting on response for date/time/price

October Scary Stories by the Cemetery date/time TBD

December No Strings Marionette Company date/time TBD

Day/time for GMLC tutor (suggested to help patrons)

Old Business:

Goals Committee- cleanup went well. Sarah has picked up paint samples and will email names/colors to everyone.

Doug Armstrong and Kevin McDonald for painting quotes. Other suggested painters: Michael Krauss' son, Allie Ryan's son

Carpet tiles- Lowe's or Home Depot Stephen will check with Bennington Carpet Blinds to be replaced as well

Scholarship update- discussed in Directors Report Easter Egg Hunt- discussed in Directors Report

New Business:

Golf Tournament-Prices to be determined after contacting the Country Club Give hole sponsor and player ideas to Jean ASAP Maybe tiers for sponsorship

Spring Plant Sale-Tentative date is May 18th Less herbs, more tomatoes

Revisiting open hours-

We spent a fair amount of energy when deciding the current hours and it would be more of a challenge to find volunteers if we change them at this time. Our goal is to have a paid staff member for all open hours starting in 2025.

Next meeting: April 15th @ 7pm

Meeting adjourned: Jean 1st/ Sarah 2nd Passed unanimously

Minutes taken and submitted by Stephen Niles