**5June2023**

**Gorham Public Library**

**Trustee Meeting**

**6:30pm**

**at the Gorham Public Library**

**Trustees present:** Lisa Bagley, Victoria Hill, Melissa Laplante, Luke Strevig

**Others present:** Director, Shannon Buteau

The Meeting was called to order at 6:38pm

**Approval of Minutes:**

* The May 2023 Minutes will be approved pending the following edit: change language to: “the town of Gorham is considering”

**Trustees:**

* Melissa Laplante was nominated and accepted as Chair.
* Victoria Hill will remain Treasurer.
* Luke Strevig was nominated and accepted as Secretary.

**Budget:**

* The budget was reviewed with no concerns
* The Building Maintenance line was up
* The Electricity bill jumped up last month, but is now back to normal
* The Conference/travel line went over slightly
* The Murphy Funds have not yet moved to the PDIP
* The Murphy balance was $84,955.54

**Director’s Update:**

* The new hires for substitute library clerks are working out well. Lucy Evans is undergoing training. Fran Wolf will join the schedule later in the summer and take on more hours during the year.
* Saturday hours, 10-12 pm, began on Memorial Day and will run through Labor Day.
* The most recent GPL staff meeting featured a book repair training given by staff member Cora.
* The Summer Reading Program (SRP) will be a busy 6 weeks long and feature many programs. Sign ups begin June 12-30th. Grants that have made the program possible are the NH Charitable Trust and the Dollar General Summer Literacy Grant, and a CLIF Grant. Information for the SRP was posted on the website; Shannon will go to the Gorham schools to promote the program, along with a flier that will be distributed during the last week of school. SRP events include: IMPACT Theater,Play-based Learning (a collaboration with local educators),

Knights of the Reading Table Reading Skills (a collaboration with local educators), Book Tasting,

Escape Room, Art Programs with local artist Deidre Blair, NASA Launch Program, Pen Pals, Lego Tower building, Children’s Museum Program, and a Storyteller

* Will O’Brien is still planning on planting a Supporting Pollinators’ Garden with the Supporting Pollinators Group. They are awaiting funding.

**Policy:**

The trustees supports the library’s decision to open the back room to outside groups only during Library hours.

**Misc.:**

* June 20th the Gorham Town Budget Committee will be holding an organizational meeting.
* July 3rd- the library will be closed. Staff will take PTO.

**Wrap up:**

* Next meeting Monday July 10, 6:30pm.
* Melissa called the meeting to an end at 7:40 PM.