

Minutes for the Ainsworth Public Library Trustee's Meeting  
Held at the Public Safety Building  
Friday, October 8, 2021

Meeting called to order at 9:08am

Attendance:

Helen Duke - Trustee Chair

Jill Plastridge - Trustee

Karla Perkins -Trustee

Sarah Snow- Librarian/Director

Visitor- Kathy Retchless

\*Helen reminded the trustees to: pick up their paperwork before the meeting  
follow through with things they have been asked to do or volunteered to do

\*Meeting minutes from September 2, 2021 were not accepted.  
There are some corrections that need to be made before the board can accept them.

\*Motion to accept the September 10, 2021 meeting minutes was made by Jill Plastridge.  
Seconded by Helen. Motion passed

\*Due to some warrants coming between board meetings, Jill made the motion that board members stop by the library, during the last week of the month, to sign any warrant that came in after our monthly meeting. Seconded by Helen. Motion passed. A motion was made by Jill to accept the Library Treasury Report, Karla seconded, motion passed.

\*Librarian's report- Sarah presented:

- \*the monthly statistics for September.
- \*the programs that the library is sponsoring this month
- \*trees were pruned and stumps removed from the grounds
- \* Carol Corneille has resigned from the board
- \* Not many cars/people have signed up to participate in the Trunk or Treat activity. Despite being advertised in many places.
- \* Sarah continues to collaborate with the WES librarian on many activities.

\*Motion was made by Jill and seconded by Karla to accept the librarian's report.  
Motion passed.

\*Librarian's Salary: a long discussion was held.

- Sarah was given a \$1.00 raise that should have gone into effect on July 1, 2021, it was voted by the trustees in October 2020. This has not happened, despite Helen going to the town treasurer numerous times to find out why.

- A motion was made by Jill to offer Sarah another \$1.00 raise and a one-time \$500 bonus, for all of her added work during COVID- 19. Also because of the many grants she wrote and received for the library. It is retroactive as July 1, 2021. This was seconded by Helen. Motion passed

\*The Board of Trustees had a long discussion about missing funds from our library reserve fund as they do not show up on the Town Ledgers.

\* 2021-2022 budget meeting will be held on Friday October 15, 2021.

\*Jill will attend the select board meeting on Monday October 11, 2021 to ask about the missing fund line item.

\*Committee meetings:

Grounds committee reported that-

\*trees were trimmed and stumps removed

\*outside railings have been painted

\*bulkhead was painted

\*there is a situation with the inside bulkhead door,  
it doesn't open, due to it hitting against sewer pipe,  
this should be looked at.

\*porch has been primed, just needs a 2nd coat,  
this will be completed shortly.

\* Still waiting on state for information on parking lot

\* The board continues to fund raise for our books and other needs for the library.

\* Next meeting on November 12, 2021

Adjournment:

\* Motion made to adjourn by Jill Seconded by Karla

\* Meeting adjourned at 11:53am

Minutes submitted by Jill Plastridge Trustee 10/14/21