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MEETING MINUTES
Cromwell Library Commission

Regular Meeting

Monday, November 9, 2020

At 7:00 PM

Online ZOOM Meeting

Present: Chairman Margaret Colella, Karen Spotts, Martha Rennie, Kathy Newton, Barbara Grotheer, Al Dickerson, Marie Roberto arrived at 7:11 PM

Also Present: Library Director Kara Canney

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman M. Colella at 7:03 PM.

2. Approve/Amend Agenda

A motion was made by M. Rennie to approve the Agenda as presented; seconded by B. Grotheer. *All were in favor, motion passed.*

3. Approval of Minutes of October 19, 2020

A motion was made by K. Spotts to approve the minutes of October 19, 2020; seconded by M. Rennie. All were in favor, motion passed.

A. Dickerson and B. Grotheer abstained as they were not present at the October 19th meeting.

4. Town Council Liaison Comments

There were none.

5. Citizens' Comments

There were none.

6. Reports

Chairman Report:

There was nothing to report.

Library Director Report:

Director K. Canny reports that the library was able to spend the \$29,979. The kiosk has been ordered and paid for.

A roofer came in and made corrections to the roof/skylights in the new library room and there are no more leaks. The firewall will be repainted this Wednesday, and after that the new space

should be done.

Two new part-time employees were hired since the last meeting. Alexandra Boelhouwer and Cindy King have already proven to be great additions to the library.

Director K. Canny plans to have a talk with the Public Health Coordinator S. Nesci regarding expanding services while keeping everyone safe.

The library will be offering instructions for take-and-makes for people to make at home.

K. Newton made the motion to accept the Library Director's Report; seconded by M. Rennie. *All were in favor, motion passed.*

Finance Report

The library purchased new laptops from the kiosk with the money that was set aside from the community foundation. Spending is right on track. There's \$10,000 for programming and it doesn't look like there will be any in-person programming in the foreseeable future.

Emily has teamed up with Nic in the Senior Center to come up with ideas for setting up senior pen pals with teens.

M. Roberto made the motion to accept the Finance Report; seconded by M. Rennie. *All were in favor, motion passed.*

7. Old Business

There was no old business.

8. New Business

K. Newton reports that Mertie Terry wrote a book called The O'Brien's: Sean which is now on Amazon with both paperback and hardcover available. She is currently in the process of writing a sequel.

9. Other


M. Rennie took part in the book discussion a couple of weeks ago and really enjoyed it.

10. Next Meeting Date: December 14th, 2020

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by M. Roberto to adjourn at 7:40 PM; seconded by K. Newton. All were in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "April Armetta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

April Armetta
Commission Clerk