

MEETING MINUTES
Cromwell Belden Public Library Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 10, 2023
6:30 PM
Arch Room

Present: Chairman Kathy Newton, Margaret Colella, Martha Rennie, Marie Roberto, Barbara Grotheer

Also Present: Library Director Kara Canney, Town Council Liaison Paula Luna, Gerald Seagrave

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM

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2. Approve/Amend Agenda:

A motion was made by M. Roberto approve the agenda for April 10, 2023, seconded by B. Grotheer. *All in favor; motion passed.*

3. Approval of the minutes of February 13, 2023:

A motion was made by M. Roberto to approve the minutes of February 13, 2023, seconded by B. Grotheer. *All in favor; motion passed.*

4. Town Council Liaison Comments:

P. Luna reported that Town Council voted to approve an additional 14 million dollars for the Middle School. The BOF will have a meeting to approve or not on April 27th. If it is passed, Town Council will set up a date for referendum to vote on the entire 72.6 million dollars. P. Luna also reported that they were promised the climate and culture study this month but she is not sure when it would be presented.

5. Citizen's Comments:

Mr. Seagrave reported that the CLA Conference would be held in May, that Pat Schmaltz had passed away and that Barbara Bailey (Glastonbury) retired as library director.

6. Reports:

Chairman's Report-

Chairman Newton shared a clipping from Yankee Magazine about cow adoption that comes with cheese.

Library Director-

Director Canney elaborated on partnerships with Adelbrook and the CBPL Children's Garden as well as the Blue Earth Initiative with the Transfer Station and the Public Schools. The newly hatched chicks as well as the new public copier being brought to us at the end of this month.

During the statistics, a suggestion was made by M. Roberto to change the way some of the statistics are being reported. Director Canney noted the requests.

Finance Report-

Director Canney advised that a line transfer will need to be made in order to pay for the new copier out of this fiscal year's budget.

A motion was made by M. Roberto to accept both the Director's Report and the Finance Report, seconded by B. Grotheer. *All in favor; motion passed.*

7. Old Business:

Director Canney mentioned that fans for the Belden Room could still be a possibility this fiscal year.

8. New Business:

M. Colella mentioned seeing the Firefighter story time pictures on FB and being pleased with the number of children in attendance. B. Grotheer mentioned speaking with a patron who was delighted by the library's children's programming.

9. Other:

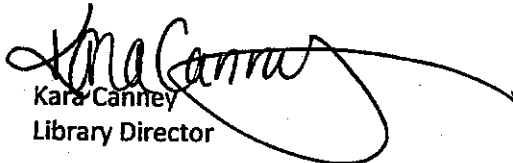
None

10. Next meeting date: Monday, May 8, 2023

11. Adjournment:

A motion was made by M. Roberto to adjourn at 7:14 PM, seconded by B. Grotheer. *All in favor; motion passed.*

Respectfully Submitted,


Kara Canney
Library Director