

## **Etna Library Trustee Meeting**

July 7, 2025 at 5 p.m.

Location: Etna Library, 130 Etna Road, Etna, NH 03750

### **Attendees:**

- Jeff Metzler: Etna Library Director
- Elizabeth Storrs: Trustee
- John Collier; Trustee
- Sharry Baker: Trustee

### **June Minutes ; Approved , no edits**

### **Librarian's Report**

#### June Patron Visits

- 1,031
- Last month (May): 889
- June 2024: 809

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- Lego Club: 3 gatherings , 20 attendees per event
- Story Time: 3 gatherings, 3 attendees per event, Story Time scheduling being evaluated.
- Arts & Crafts: 5 attendees.
- Knitting: 1 attendee, Knitting scheduling being evaluated.
- Book Group: 5 attendees ( but insightful and robust discussion).
- Cookbook Club: 7 attendees.
- Universal Yums: 9 attendees.

- Movie Night : 3 attendees.
- Mysterious Mushrooms: 16 attendees.
- Alfred Blooms : Children's Book author, 15 attendees.
- Bicycle Parade: 105 attendees ( good cheer and lots of fun).
- National Donut Day: 130 attendees, 9 dozen donuts , munchkins , coffee, and lots of smiles 9who doesn't love a donut!)

#### June Circulation

- Items OWNED by Etna: 1,276
- Previous month: 1,349
- June, 2024: 934
- Items CIRCULATED AT Etna: 1,182
- Previous month: 1,251
- June, 2024: 916

#### June Website Visits

- 496 site sessions (457 in May)
- 341 unique visitors (316 in May)

#### June Donations

- Hanover Garden Club: \$75
- Etna Ladies Aid: \$1,000
- In FY25, the library was given \$48,481 in donations (\$25,000 for gazebo & \$7,000 for bookshelves) and raised an additional \$1,450 in fundraising (Pie Sale & Love My Library)

#### Old Business

- Rotating Video Game Collection: 100 new bags : 90 already have been borrowed.
- Volunteer Events: 11-1 Pm July 19th, new and current volunteers to unite to be celebrated and learn about new volunteer opportunities.
- Gazebo : Much planning and work by Jeff with communication with town planners Jennifer and Alex.

- **Key points:**

- Planning Application was completed by Jeff and submitted to the Town Planning Group (Jennifer and Alex).
- The Gazebo only requires a gravel stone base (no concrete), and the architectural plan needs to be corrected to reflect this.
  - John (our trustee) will meet with Paul ( architect )to initiate edits to the plan to remove reference to the need for cement.
- There is a timeline concern for Gazebo delivery in relation to plan approval and site work.
  - The Carriage Shed can hold on delivery if needed.
- Jeff and Etna Library Trustees will attend a meeting with the Town of Hanover Planners for a minor project approval discussion on July 22 at 1:30.

### **New Business:**

- Library signage for Hours of Operation and for upcoming events , discussion for upgrades and options of design and placement were considered. More input is needed; we will be surveying the volunteers on July 19 for additional input.
- Current event signage needs to be updated to stay current, exploring a volunteer effort to keep this signage current.
- Reading Garden additions, ring toss games and water activity station,
  - Upgrade of outdoor furniture for the reading garden needs to be explored
- Summer Reading, ongoing; about 90 bags have been given out , animal/ critter activity going well.
- Dog library has been up and running and going well, many wagging tails and participants.

### **Upcoming Programs**

- July 9th : Lindsay & Her Puppet Pals 5 PM Costello Field / Tracy Hall if inclement weather
  - **This is a new show from last year.**

- July 14-28 :Sidewalk Chalk Art Contest ( young artist encouraged to participate !)
- July 25 Vermont Institute of Natural Science Program “ Color our World” 4 PM Trumbull Hall
- August 1 : Squam Lakes : Animal with Bad Reputations : 4:30 Trumbull Hall
- August 16th: Alex the Magician : 2 PM Trumbull Hall
- August 23 Ice Cream Parry and Raffle Drawing 1 PM Library

**Next Trustee Meeting Date/Time: August 4th 5 PM**