Etna Library Trustee Meeting Minutes Dec. 8, 2020, 3PM

Present: Barbara Prince, Elizabeth Cornell, Kathleen Chaimberg, Liz Marshall The meeting was held using Zoom because of the governor's emergency COVID-19 plan. The November minutes were accepted.

Librarian's Report

November Circulation There was a dramatic increase in the circulation at the Etna Library compared to last year. The increase is probably due to the convenience of the take-out service for patrons who live nearby. Circulation of the Etna Library collection was also more in November this year compared to last year.

Review of Programs Several online story times were held using zoom, attracting a total of 25 children. Three outdoor story times were held that attracted a total of 8 children. A special Thanksgiving story time with a craft attracted 9 children. The knitting group met twice and the book group once. Willem Lange's program drew 69 people and Bob Keene's program drew over 100.

Old Business

Library Services The library has continued to offer the take-out service. People can request specific materials for pick-up. For children' books, people can tell the ages of the kids and let the librarians choose. Saturday browsing has been very popular.

Thanksgiving Pie Sale The pie sale this year was held outside in the parking lot with customers driving up to get a pie of one kind or another (pumpkin, fruit, etc.). We raised \$545. It was a huge success, and very well controlled from a community health standpoint.

Etna Library Mugs Barbara has been giving mugs out at the library when people come to pick up materials. She has delivered mugs to some folks for whom a trip to the library is cumbersome.

Plaques on Outside Chairs Valley Imaging will get back in touch with us with some options.

New Business

Upcoming Programs Jim Block will do a program on birds who frequent islands in Maine. Monthly craft programs, story times, knitting and book groups will also continue through the winter months.

Budget FY2022 Barbara will meet with Betsy McLain and Julia Griffin next week. The library is scheduled for a new computer this year.

Discards The topic of discarded books was discussed. Barbara is trying to find a place where books could be offered, such as correctional institutions, assisted living homes, etc.

Next Trustee Meeting - Jan 26 at 3pm

Respectfully submitted, Liz Marshall