

# *Friends of Chelsea Public Library*

## Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2018

### Opening

The Friends of Chelsea Public Library May meeting was called to order at 6:05pm on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> in the Chelsea Public Library by Cheryl Metcalf, Chairman.

### Present

Those in attendance: Deb Williams, Carol Olsen, Phyllis Densmore, Cheryl Metcalf, Megan Campbell, Suzanne Turner, Lynette Sherman, Elizabeth Morrison, Toni Gildone, Deborah Quayle.

### Reading of Minutes

### Treasurers Report

### Old Business

- Chili Cook-off reflections
  - Things that worked smoothly:
    - Decorations, food, beer, 50/50 raffle
  - Things that need improvement:
    - more seating, a place for kids, no Friends to participate in raffle, more how-to flyers and announcements about judging, more judging cups, gravy spoons for judging cups, need list of chili ingredients, write down names of winners.

### Open Issues

- Harry Potter Murder Mystery Dinner – 13<sup>th</sup> October
  - Re-organized committees:
    - Script committee: Elizabeth M, Megan C, Deb Q.
    - Decoration committee: Janet B, Cheryl M, Carol O, Suzanne T
    - Publicity committee: Lynette S and Suzanne T
  - Publicity committee to have some sample flyers for our next meeting
  - Decoration committee to have some ideas by next meeting
  - Script committee to have more details by next meeting
  - Due to hall, can only seat 100
  - Ticket pricing ideas
    - Adult- \$25 sat door  
\$20 pre-sold
    - Kids (12 and under)- \$10
    - Megan will find out how much a similar event cost in Montpelier to compare ticket prices
  - Menu set in last meeting
    - Idea was proposed to contact stores for food donations (card) and party stores or Walmart for decoration donations
    - Also proposed to have local farms donate beef for the shepherd's pie
    - Lynette can get potatoes needed
  - Will need to contact the select board and get their approval by July
  - Library will do Harry Potter activities such as escape room and trivia activities over the summer as publicity. Prizes for winning would be a discount on tickets
- Book Club
  - Adult book club on hold til Fall/Winter

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- Like to do a youth book club (MS/HS) with popular or graphic novels that will get more kids interested in reading and book club.
- Book Sale
- Summer Reading Finale Party July 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Reading program 8 weeks long
  - Plan a fund raiser with business or state of 50c/book
  - Have ice cream or some other treat at finale party.

### **Other Items**

- Other Ideas
  - Radio Theatre Club
    - This would be a summer or fall event that would continue
    - Contact is Russ Martin
    - People in community would be part of the cast. This would be a way to involve the youth and high school students.
    - Possible royalty issues with the plays that would be used: Toni to look into this
    - Elizabeth M to come up with survey forms to see how popular this would be with community
  - Summer Movie Events
    - looking into the cost of movies
    - Speakers and screen will run about \$250
    - If we get the Planning Commission to sponsor the event there will be no fee to pay for use of the common
  - Aug 25<sup>th</sup> Arts Festival kids corner
    - Request from Suzanne to help set up a kids corner tent with activities for kids to visit and participate in
- Good of the Order

### **Agenda for Next Meeting**

- Harry Potter Dinner
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### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8pm by Chairman Next general meeting will be on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6pm in the Chelsea Library.