

3/21/19 Regular RPL LC Mtg. Minutes: APPROVED 4/25/2019

Rockport Public Library  
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Library Committee Meeting:  
Thursday March 21, 2019 at Town Office/RR  
Meeting called to order at 10:32 a.m. by LC Chair Heaven Bartlett

**Present:**

**Library Committee:** Chair Heaven Bartlett (2017-2020); Sect. Stephanie Kumble (2013-16/2016-19); Helen Shaw, (2018-2021); Elizabeth Dailey (Liz), (2018-2021); excused absence: Treas. Ann Filley (2016-19);

**Library Director:** Ben Blackmon  
**Select Board Liaison:**  
**Friends Liaison:** (no official rep)  
**Guests:** Betsy Elwin

**Announcements/Introductions:** Betsy Elwin

**Consideration of Agenda:** Special report from Friends (Betsy Elwin)

**Public Comment:** Special report from Betsy Elwin in terms of Friends of RPL: Elwin presented an excellent 1-page report detailing the 4 groups supporting RPL with brief descriptions of each of the 4 groups' genesis/responsibilities. (See attached).

**Reports:**

1) **Secretary:** Shaw, motion to approve 2/21/19 minutes as written; Dailey, second; approved 3/0/1 (abstention, Bartlett absent @ 2/21/19 mtg)

2) **Treasurer:** (Quarterly report next month)  
\* Warrant: \$5402.40 (see attached)

3) **Director:** (see attached LD Report)

- a) Adrian Humphrey continues to serve as "tech guy" (Hopefully new computers can wait until we're in new building)
- b) Blackmon to MLA - 5/10, Development Program
- c) April=Poetry Month
- d) Two people deeply involved with RPL died this past month: Poet, George Chapelle and Friend's member, Barbara Czymazjica. The Friends will sponsor 1-month of ILL in their honor.
- e) Different workshops (seed planting,ipad) well attended
- f) RPL Foundation planning different fundraisers including a 5K on June 23
- g) Raising non-resident fees to be discussed at later time,
- h) desk income: \$559, online \$5
- e) volunteer hours @ 29 hours @ \$363 based on \$12.50/hour

4) **Select Board:** no report

5) **Friends:** (see above)

***Unfinished Business:***

\* **Updated agreement LC/Town:** Numerous drafts, still need one more. Following overall LC consensus, Rick, Ann, Helen and town attorney will go over the agreement. Then Megan Brackett, Ann Filley, Helen Shaw, Ben Blackmon will meet with auditor to try to settle on the agreement language.

\* **Parking:** There will be a public mtg. Monday March 25 to hopefully finalize the new library parking issues. Crucial to provide feedback to Select Board, esp. in re. to the Board making the decision.

***New Business:***

\* **Date for annual Putnam review:** Filley will check to see if Bush is available Thursday May 2, 2019.

\* **Possible candidates for 2 LC positions:** Kumble will run, but a second candidate is needed.

***Adjournment:*** Motion to adjourn, Kumble; second Dailey; 3/0. Meeting ended at 12:18

**Respectfully submitted,**  
Stephanie Kumble, Secretary

***Upcoming Meetings, etc:***

\* LC mtg. Thursday, April 25 @ 10:30

\* Select Board - Monday 3/25/19, parking, plus numerous other special mtgs. coming up in re. to 2019-20 Town Budget and Library conflicts/funding: intersection-Limerock St. etc.

***Addendums:***

- 1) Agenda
- 2) February 2019 Warrant
- 3) Library Director Report
- 4) Friends "RPL Supporters List/Description"

In addition, numerous materials relating to the new library and the infrastructure items/funding of the old library and various letters, news stories relating to the latest conflicts are included in that section of Sect. notebook