

## Friends of the Exeter Public Library Minutes

Minutes from the Meeting of the Friends of the Exeter Public Library, Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm  
Present: Kathy Boudreau, Hope Godino, Susan Drinker, Lorraine Jurdi, Carla Tishler, Sam Zito, Susan Scales

### 1. President's Report: Kathy Boudreau

Welcome to Carla Tishler, our new Vice President. Carla will include publicity among her duties.

Welcome to Sam Zito, her first meeting.

There was no meeting in October but we weren't idle. The new library sign is up in Founder's Park – stop by and see it. Thanks to Exeter Public Works for installing it for us.

### 2. Library Director's Report: Hope Godino

Hope told us about the technology available in the meeting room. There's a hearing loop ("audio induction loop") hardwired in. It wirelessly assists hearing aids to transmit a more natural sound to wearers. The library recently had to purchase a few more receivers to accommodate different types of hearing aids. There's also a closed-captioned projector and screen.

Are there any wish-list items the Friends can help with? Hope will review needs.

Attendance is coming back slowly for library events – Monday matinee movies, book groups have re-started. Speakers' series is going strong, but fewer in the audience.

### 3. Vice President: Carla Tishler

Discussion of local and social media suitable for ads.

### 4. Treasurer's Report: Susan Scales

On 10/1/2021, the bank account opening balance was \$1,945.18.

Receipts: none

Expenses: Summit Signs – final payment for new sign -\$1,000.00

The bank acct closing balance on 10/31/21 was \$ 945.18

Board members signed the annual conflict of interest form in October.

Giving Tuesday is 11/30/2021; please think of the Exeter Public Library!

Remember to use our Amazon Smile link when shopping. We've received \$176 to date from the Amazon Smile Foundation. Here's our link (see notes at the end for more info): <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/82-1817723>

### 5. Project ideas for next year - discussion:

Farmers' Market kids' activity table – save children's books for us to give away please.

Parents' Night Out / kids' night in – needs a lot of volunteers, possibly next spring?

Games Night – cribbage, "45", Ladies' poker, Scrabble

Book sale – the library used to have book sales. Hope noted the problem of mold, etc. in donated books stored in basements/attics, cost of disposing of books which don't sell, also absence of storage space at the library to keep donated books until a sale. Library currently offers bookcase of free books inside the ramp door.

Little Library outside the library

6. Next meeting: December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the library. We will not meet in January.