

DRAFT Minutes for October 2024

The Hand County Library Board of Trustees met on October 28, 2024 at 4:00 PM in the Historical Room of the Hand County Library.

Members present: Chairman Andrea Fiala, Trustees Mike Anglin, Gloria Keck and Library Director Hannah Caffee; Member absent: Marianne Peterka and Mike Donlin

Hand County Library will close for the following National Holidays: Veteran's Day November 11th and November 28th for Thanksgiving Day. Governor Noem has added November 29th as an extension of the Thanksgiving holiday, so the library will be closed that day as well.

The library director gave a report of the events from this past month. October 17th was the Sip n' Skim event where staff offered a variety of tea flavors to match genres of books. Eleven patrons attended. Smokey Bear's Birthday Party brought in 40 patrons with Smokey visiting alongside his firefighter friends from the United State Forest Service in Fort Pierre National Grasslands. Thirty-two children have participated in Smokey Bear's Library Checklist Challenge this month. Preschool Story Time had four participants, History Talks Virtual Presentation had an audience of two, and the Winter Book Club gathered six readers.

The library director continued to share information about upcoming events happening at the library. Winter Book Club is reading *Red River Girl* by Joanna Jolly and discussing November 21st at 5:30pm. A new event, Puzzle Swap, will take place in November. Patrons can bring in their puzzles for swapping before November 15th. On November 18th swappers will have an opportunity to pick out their trades from 11-4, and after 4pm any patron can pick out a puzzle to take home. Chess Club is reconvening beginning November 1st with meetings planned twice per month. Preschool Story Time will continue in November with a special Storytime SD twist. We will read the book *See the Dog* by David LaRochelle, and the program encourages having elected officials as special guest readers. Hannah has an email out to the county commissioners in hopes it will fit with one of their schedules. Writing Workshop continues into November with the start of NaNoWriMo where writers are encouraged to write 50,000 words toward a book in the month of November. Two have participated in the workshops the past two months and plan on gathering in November.

Board members brainstormed and set goals for the Courthouse Christmas Tree. Mike Donlin has dropped off ornaments, Mike Anglin will be on the lookout for a square hay bale, a cowboy hat, and a pair of cowboy boots, Andrea is going to work on bandanas, and Hannah will work on the christmas tree and rope. We will assemble our tree November 27th with Hannah organizing a time that works best for everyone.

Our policy book updates are still in the works. Elton Anson will hopefully be reviewing in the next couple of weeks. Hannah will reach out to Marianne and Gloria once she hears back from the law office. The updates must be published on our website by January 1st.

Gloria Keck made the motion to approve the September meeting minutes and expenses. Mike Anglin seconded.

Mike Anglin made the motion to approve the Financial Report and bills. Gloria Keck seconded.

The next board meeting will be Thursday November 21, 2024 at 4pm

Meeting adjourned.

A & B Solutions	#(425) service contract	\$73.89
Amazon	#(426) supplies	51.60
Bob's Disposal	#(428) garbage	\$21.00
Bob's Gas	#(426) propane	205.80
Center Point Large Print	#(426) supplies	1150.56
City of Miller	#(428) utilities	708.07
Demco	#(426) supplies	367.35
Gumdrop Books	#(426) supplies	673.86
Ingram	#(426) supplies	515.87
Jim and Jake's Sprinklers	#(425) maintenance	75.00
MidAmerica Books	#(426) supplies	1103.05
Overdrive	#(426) supplies	162.98
Venture Communications	#(428) email address/phone	\$204.48

Salary and Benefits	#(411, 412, 413, 414, 415)	\$
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Hannah Caffee, Director

Andrea Fiala, Library Board Chairman