

Berlin Free Town Library
January 6, 2025
Regular meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:33

Roll call: present: Doug, Jeff, Star, Deb, Stacey; public: Nancy, Rob Jaeger at 7:50

Minutes--

Motion 2505 by Stacey and second by Jeff to approve December minutes passed by voice consensus.

Treasurer's Report--

Stacey explained transfer of authority, programs, accounts, categories, etc.

Director's Report--

- A very nice time was had at the Santa Chris program. It would be ideal to have some flyers sent home with K and 1st grade families at the Elementary School to encourage them to come to the event.
- Frank disconnected the mini splits on December 20, 2024. He informed Doug that they would be up and running again by Christmas Eve, yet they have not been reconnected.
- Our library as well as the other libraries in Assembly Member Scott Bendett's district received a grant in the amount of \$1,538.46. Sara would like to propose that the money be used towards a laptop that can be used as a second computer for the circulation desk.
- There will be an open house on March 5 for a display of students' artwork for BMHS National Art Honor Society members, which will also be on display throughout the month.

Finance--

Endowment 247k

House and Grounds--

Continued trouble getting heat pump job completed

Programming--

Alice will run the photography contest again; Star will run a writing group.

Public Relations--

Star continues to polish the article for the Eastwick and will continue to write similar articles.

Personnel--

Cristi sent Sara the self evaluation to do by February.

Old Business--

Meeting with Berlin Town Superintendent Rob Jaeger about our petition for funding in 2025: Rob is willing to help us out with this process and has successfully carried out a similar process with the Berlin Ambulance Service, which now works for the town as a 501c3. Taxes: $\$1.37/1000=60K$

If the BFTL gets on the ballot in 2025, tax money would come in 2027. When asked about his vision, Rob stated he would like to see more hours and availability.

Executive session from 8:51-9:00--

Subject: Personnel

Motion 2506 to adjourn by Deb and second by Jeff at 9:01.

Minutes submitted by Cristi Lamontagne

Next regular meeting: February 3, 2025, 7:00 p.m.