

Friends of the Goshen Public Library
May 18, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.
Regular meeting minutes
Held at the Goshen Public Library

1. Attendance : Lynn Steinmayer-President, Kate Malanca – Secretary, Betty Cosgrove – Vice President, Josephine Jones, Patricia Sanders, Jeff Johnson, Joyce Mowrey, Kathleen Kelly, Adena Siegel, Mica Conway, Judi Armstrong, Theresa Walla Kelly, Tabitha Guarnieri-Director, Don Wilkes, Anne Kelly via Zoom
2. Call to order by Lynn Steinmayer, chairman at 9:35 a.m.
3. A motion was made by Joyce Mowrey, seconded by Jeff Johnson to accept the minutes from the April 20, 2024 meeting. Voted unanimous.
4. Matters arising out of the minutes. None.
5. Presidents report – Lynn Steinmayer informed the Friends that the Goshen Center School PTO sent a letter asking the Friends if they would sponsor an event at their annual Block Party June 6, 2024. A discussion was had stating we had done so in the past. In a motion made by Betty Cosgrove, seconded by Don Wilkes it was voted to again sponsor an event. Voted unanimous. Lynn Steinmayer read a letter from the libraries Children’s Coordinator Emily Cole. Emily stated that children have been interested in the Playaways and would like to know if the Friends would be willing to fund the purchase of more of them for the children. In a motion made by Betty Cosgrove, seconded by Judi Armstrong it was voted to fund up to \$500.00 to purchase children’s Playaways. Voted unanimous.
6. Review of the By-Laws of the Friends of the Goshen Public Library. Joyce Mowrey stated no recommendations for changes. Don Wilkes made a motion, seconded by Jeff Johnson to adopt the by-laws. Voted unanimous.
7. Outreach Committee - Jeff Johnson reported he spoke to the Library Board at their meeting May 15, 2024. He discussed with them the functions of the Foundation funds. Josephine Jones thanked Jeff for taking the time to explain to the Library Board the Foundation funds. Don Wilkes stated that Jeff had covered everything. Betty Cosgrove made a statement that there is not an easy handicap access to the library. The Director of the library and the Library Board Chairman will address the First Selectman Todd Carusillo. In a motion made by Betty Cosgrove, seconded by Judi Armstrong it was voted to nominate Joyce Mowery as member at large. Voted unanimous.
8. Book Report - Patrick Reilly was unable to attend. A discussion was had pertaining to insurance for the tent at the Goshen Fair. Theresa Walla-Kelly suggested we talk to Robert

Layer at Farmers insurance. Kate Malanca stated that she would stop in his office and report back to the Friends.

9. Tabitha Guarnieri Director produced a list of expenses. In a motion made by Don Wilkes seconded by Jeff Johnson it was voted to approve all. Voted unanimous. Tabitha informed the Friends that staff member Cinzia Lavin has resigned. Cinzi was a valuable employee and Lynn Steinmayer asked if the Friends would purchase a gift card to Thorncrest Chocolates for Cinzi. In a motion made by Jeff Johnson, seconded by Betty Cosgrove it was voted to purchase a gift card in the amount of \$50.00 for Cinzi. Voted unanimous.

10. In a motion made by Jeff Johnson, seconded by Joyce Mowrey it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:18.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Malanca
Secretary