Minutes of the Friends of the Hampton Falls Free Library

**Date:** Wednesday May 1, 2019

**Present:** Susi Burke, Lisa Hayes, Donna Onacki, Deborah Regan, Alisha Roberts, Jane Shanahan, Sheila Tanguay, Barbara Tosiano, Judy Wilson

**Discussed:**
1. April Minutes approved
2. Treasurers report
   a. $9,248.94
3. Companion Gardening recap
   a. Went great
   b. Q&A session went until 8:00
   c. Rita offered $100 in gift cards to Friends
      i. Will do a raffle at May events starting at 5/9
      ii. Ask coastal living for garden gloves, tools. Use notecards and art book that Barbara has
      iii. Do $50 for raffle and 2 $25s for summer reading
      iv. Lisa will confirm the expiration date and use at Farmer’s markets
      v. Conclude raffle end of May
4. New Hampshire Parks Pass:
   a. Barbara has been able to print it out for patrons. Need to do it for a particular day.
5. Museum Updates:
   a. The Fells in Newbury, NH
      i. Jane bought a pass for the library which gives 2 free adult passes and unlimited children
6. History of Beer Talk update (Barbara):
   a. No longer a co-presentation by Earth Eagle Brewery and Emerson Baker
   b. No tasting would be involved and over $400 so decided against it
   c. Deborah will look into UNH to see if anyone there is available to do something similar
7. Future Fundraisers:
   a. Winery Options
      i. Maybe do something before the holidays
      ii. Shelia will contact Jeanine Hanson from 90+ to see if that is an option
8. Backpack use update
   a. Been checked out once
   b. Try to share the video to spread knowledge of program
   c. Need for more trail maps so if going anywhere, pick them up if possible
9. Parking Lot (Trustee concerns)
   a. Safety Issues during events
   b. Have all three entities Town, Safety and Library share costs
   c. Trustees had someone come in and they could add 26 spots between Safety and Library
10. Seabrook Dog Track Update: Jane
    a. Heard back from Gerry in Nevada who is the head person for Seabrook
    b. She will be here this week and Jane is planning to meet with her.
11. May Programs:
a. Shaker Legacy - Saturday, May 4, at 1:00
   i. Barbara could use little water bottles
b. Ansel Adams Environmentalist - Thursday, May 9 at 6:30
   i. Payment for $200 to Lance Hidy
   ii. Deborah will check to see what he needs
   iii. Create Facebook event for this – can use photo of him on top of van for publicity
c. Invasive Plants of New Hampshire - Thursday May 16 at 6:30
   i. Hampton Falls Conservation

12. Possible New Programs
   a. Sarah Atkinson: Cutting down on waste in our homes
      i. Deborah spoke with her and she is interested in doing an event
      ii. Lots of options for different programs
      iii. Needs 2 week notice
      iv. $5 a person or $100 a workshop
      v. Maybe add info to workshop about HF recycling specifics
      vi. Sheila has a friend with an Etsy shop that makes pre-usable produce bags – Stitch and Knit by Nancy. May be willing to give some examples to show at a program
      vii. Possibly October or November
      viii. Maybe April as well with a series of events including a kids event around Earth day

Meeting adjourned: 7:45 PM
Next meeting: Wednesday June 5, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Action items:
- Jane: meet with Seabrook manager
- Deborah: check to see what Lance Hidy needs for Ansel Adams event
- Susi: create event for Ansel Adams
- Lisa: confirm the expiration date and use at Farmer’s markets

Respectfully submitted,
Susi Burke, Secretary