South Thomaston

Library & Community Center Auxiliary

Minutes from August 9, 2023

**Meeting #1**

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm.

S Weisman agreed to take minutes for the first meeting until election of a secretary.

Adoption of By-Laws

J Spear made a motion to adopt the by-laws of the Auxiliary as they are written. S Dacso seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Election of Officers

S Weisman made a motion to nominate John Spear for President of the Auxiliary. B Reitz seconded the motion. J Spear indicated that he would like this to be a 1-year appointment.

The motion passed 3-0, with 1 abstention.

B Reitz nominated Sheri Dacso for Secretary of the Auxiliary. S Weisman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0. S Weisman offered to create a contact sheet for the Board that would include the Board member’s phone numbers and email addresses, as well as contact information for the ST Library & Community Center Facility Committee members.

J Spear nominated Barbara Reitz for Treasurer of the Auxiliary. S Dacso seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0. It was noted that getting a Tax ID# and a checking account would be among the first tasks and **B Reitz will look into getting a Tax ID#.**

S Dasco questioned how the Board of Directors is connected to the town. J Spear said that although this committee is not a town committee, all official meetings of the Corporation shall be open to the public and must post meetings as required by Maine’s Freedom of Information Act (FOAA), as stated in the by-laws.

**S Dasco will research applying for the 501c3 status with the IRS.**

Discussion of Dates and Location for the Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will be Wednesday, September 20 @ 4 pm @ Town Offices.

Discussion of Meetings by Remote Communication Technology

Due to various members working schedules, and travel schedules we agreed that having remote technology for meetings was advisable.

Other Business

The Board discussed briefly the charge of the Auxiliary as being one of fundraising – finding donors, making requests, and grant research and writing. B Reitz asked for clarification on how the current library and Auxiliary would not conflict on grant applications to the same source. J Spear noted that all grant writing from the current library would come through the Selectboard. S Weisman and B Reitz will begin to draw up a list of granting organizations known to the committee thus far.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Weisman