

Monday, July 25, 2022
PDTC MINUTES
Preston, CT Public Library

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 Call by Chair Nick Vegliante
Attending: Sandra Allyn-Gauthier, Linda Christensen, Susan Hotchkiss, Melissa Lennon, Karen Stockton, Kayla Thompson, Nick Vegliante
Excused: Sean Nugent, Anne Sabrowski
Absent: Megan Gallant, Deb and Jerry Grabarek
2. Motion to accept minutes from May meeting by K. Thompson, 2nd by S. Allyn-Gauthier; approved unanimously (No June meeting)
3. Treasurer's Report by K. Stockton. Current balance \$1004.64. D. Grabarek was reimbursed for scholarship donation on behalf of DTC. \$170.00 in donations received; donations still accepted.
4. New Business reported by N. Vegliante
 - a. Campaign/Election updates: There are paid campaign positions available for interested persons.
 - i. Governor: Optimistic phone call by Gov. Lamont to committee chairs.
 - ii. SOTS: party-endorsed candidate for upcoming primary: Stephanie Thomas
 - iii. Treasurer: party endorsed candidate: Erick Russell
 - iv. 2nd CD: Headquarters for Joe Courteney is in Norwich; volunteers encouraged.
 - v. State Senate: Farouk Rajab still needs to qualify for public financing
 - vi. State Rep.: No official candidate, but K. Thompson may decide to stay in as placeholder candidate.
 - vii. Other: The Repub. Candidate for Preston Registrar of Voters, Corky Raymond, has been endorsed, but paperwork not filed in time, so he will need to register as a write-in candidate.
 - b. BoF Alt Vacancy: (K. Thompson is now a regular member.)
 - c. Other: none
5. Old Business
 - a. ZBA Vacancy
 - b. Other: none
6. Updates from Town Officials
 - a. BoS: (Allyn-Gauthier) ordinance for spending ARP funds passed at town meeting. Capital projects funding.
 - b. BoE no report
 - c. BoF: (K. Thompson) Town budget passed; additional \$50K from town surplus applied to reduce tax increase. Audit needs being prepared.
 - d. PRA: Jim Bell, former long-time member recently passed away.

- e. P&Z: no report
 - f. Youth Services: no new news
 - g. Other: encourage community interest in joining (DTC) committee; K. Stockton suggested having fundraiser.
7. State Central Update: New Secretary of State, Mark Kohler, after resignation of Denise Merrill. Regional meetings being set up for late August/early Sept. for Dem. candidate campaigns; locally maybe Norwich or Preston. This may be in lieu of August meeting.
8. Public Comment: none
9. Motion to adjourn L. Christensen, second K. Stockton. Meeting adjourned 7:40 PM.

Upcoming Meetings: August 22, September 26

**Respectfully submitted,
Susan Hotchkiss, secretary**