Minutes of the Ellsworth Public Library board of Trustees

April 24,2024/ 6:36 PM /

ATTENDEE

Sarah Lesko, Craig MacDonald, Kathleen Cravens, Judith Lyles, Rain Perez

Kristin Onos

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Craig MacDonald at 6:50 pm.

Public Comment:Barrett, our new employee came and introduced herself to us and then gave us an overview of the various projects she has in the works. It was very impressive and we are delighted to welcome her. We look forward to hearing more about these over time. She is currently partnering with the Ellsworth American working on digital literacy for older patrons and piloting a program with digital copies of the paper on our computers.

Consent Agenda

- Friends of the Library Report
- Director's Report
- Minutes of January 18,2024 meeting
- Financial Reports and Planning
- Building and Grounds Report

A motion was made by Rain and seconded by Judith to approve the consent agenda and motion carried.

Friends of the Library Report

See attached report.

Unfinished Business

• Sarah reported :Town warrants discussed upcoming are Hancock May 15th. Kathleen and Judi will attend. Trenton town meeting will be early? June. Barrett has composed a letter asking for Trenton Patrons to sign, signifying their support for funding. Wendy has also volunteered to ask residents to attend the town meeting in person to show support.

- Surrey town meeting is this upcoming Saturday and Sarah will attend as a resident and also as librarian.
- Volunteer Appreciation breakfast will be Saturday May 11th. We all signed up to provide breakfast items and will also come to serve and express our thanks.
- Sarah reported that the personnel committee met for the first time in 3 months. She has asked to get a work phone for taking photos and videos of our events etc. This is a \$66.00 monthly cost which we approved. She also inquired if the library at some future date could have a truck . Edmund does not require one presently.
- New Business
- Sarah reviewed our list of Capital improvements which include the following: new basement drain, sprinkler for the Tisdale House, and replacement windows. Also a panic button installation. The new city Manager has suggested that we apply through FEMA for the drain. Sarah also approached the County Commissioners for the \$2,000.00 for the panic button as this is a safety issue and they have funds dedicated to meeting safety issues. This request was denied.

Executive session per MRSA Title 1, Chapter13, Sec406, Paragraph 6A to discuss employment matters

None NEEDED

DECISIONS, Action Items and Next Steps

Sarah provided an overview of the rool out of the new library cards.Last week we issued 309 and the week before 330. They are very popular and proving to be a nice fundraiser.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 Next Meeting May 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Respectively submitted,

Kathleen Cravens, Secretary