

Wenonah Free Public Library
Board Meeting Minutes 1-5-19

Present: John Dominy, Carol Murphy, Anne Zuber, Carol Newman, Meghan Walsh and Ellen Hummel. Absent: Michelle Contarino and Cindy Norris

Meeting was called to order by John Dominy at 10:10 a.m. and Anne Zuber read the Open Public Meeting Notice.

John Dominy swore in Meghan Walsh as trustee of the Library Board. Michelle Contarino to continue as President, Carol Newman to continue as Treasurer and Ellen Hummel was named Secretary.

Approval of the November meeting minutes was postponed because not enough attendees of the November meeting were present.

Treasurer's Report:

Carol Newman reported that the checking account balance is at \$3596.49 and the savings account balance is at \$28,550.86. Carol noted that these amounts did not include deposits or debits since mid December due to the holidays. The bills list was approved as reported (Ellen Hummel motion/Carol Newman second/All in favor).

Librarian Report:

Anne Zuber noted that the usage stats were now holding steady after declining for several years.

Nov 2018 stats

AF-198 ANF-37 JF-104 JNF-23 Vid-88 Aud-9 eBook/Audio Downloads-70 + JC/ILL 46 **Total = 574**
EDS 14

Dec 2018 stats

AF-182 ANF-36 JF-97 JNF-16 Vid-59 Aud-1 = 391
eBook/Audio Downloads- 61+ JC/ILL 32 **Total = 484**
EDS 25

Dec 2017 stats

Books, DVDs, & Audiobooks= 390 + eBook/Audio Downloads-73+ JerseyCat-39 **Total = 502**
EDS= 15

Old Business

- Tischler grant application awarded/check received. Access to HeritageQuest.com now available via webpage with valid library card number. Update to Classic Fiction section books is pending.
- Garden State Discovery Museum is now available, funded by Woman's Club of Wenonah.
- Electricity disconnected from both front tables on main floor to allow for movement of furniture.
- David Kreck, borough engineer, 6th grade students and Certified Gardeners replanted rain garden on 12/13/18.
- Have reinstated SAT program with volunteer Connor Moran acting as tutor. Class on 11/20/18 had 3 students, class on 11/28/18 had one student but instructor did not show. Pending whether a new instructor will be needed.
- For 2019, LOGIN has voted to partially subsidize LibraryLinkNJ's newly implemented transit delivery fee for smaller libraries in the consortium. This will reduce the added cost for Wenonah Library.
- Handicapped parking space. Per John Dominy, the first step is to designate the handicap spot by ordinance, which he will pursue. Then handicap ramp access from street to sidewalk could be added next time the town is doing concrete work, potentially in 2019.

New Business

- Carol Wiltsee retired as of 12/31/2018. No change to schedule, as shift was being shared since February. Open House to celebrate Carol's years of service scheduled for Sunday, 1/13/19 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM at the library. Food donation has been solicited from Chic-Fil-A. Friends of the Library will contribute to cost. Library staff and friends will contribute food. Invitations sent to former board members and friends.
- Second reading of 2019 budget. Equalized valuation, est. .333 mil=\$74,373.00, state aid figure \$798.00. Meeting was opened for public comment to discuss budget. No members of the public were present. Meeting was closed to

public comment. Ayes: John Dominy, Carol Newman, Ellen Hummel, Carol Murphy and Meghan Walsh. Nays: none. Motion approved.

- 2019 rate of pay for library staff, amended to reflect retirement of Carol Wiltsee. (Ellen Hummel motion/Carol Newman second) Ayes: John Dominy, Carol Newman, Ellen Hummel, Carol Murphy and Meghan Walsh. Nays: none. Motion approved.
- Webpage hosting will switch from StartLogic to Weebly at an expected annual savings of \$150.
- Anne Zuber reviewed bids for installation of gutter guards to alleviate water problems during heavy rain. No action taken pending receipt of more information from one vendor.

Friends of the Library

No new information.

Next meeting, February 6, 2018, 7:00 PM

Future Library Board Meeting dates

2/6/19 3/6/19 4/3/19 5/1/19 6/5/19 8/7/19 9/4/19 10/2/19 11/6/19 at 7:00pm at the library

Motion to Adjourn Meeting (Carol Newman/Meghan Walsh second) All in favor.