

Wenonah Free Public Library
Board Meeting Minutes July 6, 2022

Attendees: Carol Newman, Ellen Hummel, Linda Helmbrecht, Deb Cline, Anne Zuber. Absent: John Dominy, Michelle Contarino, Anna Kmiec.

C. Newman called the meeting to order at 7:24 pm at which time the Open Public Meeting Notice was read: ***In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, notification of this meeting has been sent to The South Jersey Times and posted on our webpage and on the bulletin board in the library.***

Read and approve

- The Board approved the Minutes from the June 1, 2022 meeting (Motion by D. Cline/Seconded by L. Helmbrecht/All in favor).
- The Board deferred approval of the Minutes from the May 4, 2022 meeting.
- Treasurers report: As of 7/6/22 bank balances: \$5262.32 in checking and \$26,577.94 in savings.
- The Board approved the Bills lists for June 2022 (Motion by D. Cline/Seconded by L. Helmbrecht/All in favor).

Librarian Report

June 2022 Stats

AF-202 ANF-27 JF-189 JNF-18 Vid-7 Aud-2 + 28 JC/ILL (borrow 15, lend 13) Total = 473

Overdrive/Libby eBook/Audiobook downloads = 87

Ebsco interface sessions = 91, web service interactions = 169.

Hoopla - 0 patron set up accounts, 27 items borrowed, \$64.33 used in May

Type breakdown for hoopla – 17 audiobooks, 9 eBooks, 2 comics, 1 movie, 2 music.

Beginning account \$1000.00, balance \$ 374.99.

Old Business

- Emmons is to write up an estimate for sealing any remaining openings around flashing to keep the bees from finding their way back into the roof. Still waiting for response from them.
- GCSI performed the annual security system inspection on 6/2/22.

New Business

- Audit has been completed. See digital version.
- Calculation required by New Jersey Code 40:54-15-Annual report, identification of excess funds to municipality. Transfer procedure was completed showing no excess funds.
- Notice of Treasurer's Bond renewal has been received and invoice forwarded to treasurer.
- Residual used books deemed to have some value are being displayed for sale in vestibule. Since the book sale we have sold another \$118.00 to be forwarded to Friends of the Library account.
- Cindy is investigating a program through Baker & Taylor called sustainable shelves. It works much like the Better World Books program to take donated books or library discards for evaluation for resale or recycle. There is no cost to the library for the program or shipping and could save time and perhaps make a bit more than \$1 a book from semi-annual book sales. Application has been sent and Anne is awaiting response and training.
- Anne will pick up the outdoor drop box being given to WFPL from Franklin Township library. Anne will ask public works to help install.

- There are three quotes for trimming of the large sycamore tree overhanging the Donnelly property. Timber Cut Tree Service: \$1800, Expert Tree Service: \$1000 and Big Timber Tree Services: \$2500. Anne will talk to Donnellys about sharing the cost.
- A member of Wenonah Historical Society asked if the library has space to display some of their materials. Anne suggested Wenonah Free Public Library, Woman's Club of Wenonah and Wenonah Historical Society combine efforts to investigate possibility of establishing a museum. Anne said she could investigate grants through the New Jersey State Library for Wenonah Library to expand its services this way. New staff member Annie Mendelsohn is interested in helping to pursue the idea. D. Cline will check with owner of yoga studio to see what plans she has for that building. Deb also suggested the Nutcracker Shop building.
- Anne reported the air conditioning will be serviced in July.
- L. Helmbrecht will contact electrician who installed new lighting to see about installing a dimmer switch on the upstairs lights.
- The August 3, 2022 meeting is cancelled due to lack of a quorum.

Next meeting September 7, 2022

C. Newman adjourned the meeting at 8:28 pm. (Motion by D, Cline/Seconded by L. Helmbrecht/All in favor)

2022 meeting dates

1/5/22, 2/2/22, 3/2/22, 4/6/22, 5/4/22, 6/1/22, 7/6/22, 8/3/22, 9/7/22, 10/5/22, 11/2/22, 12/7/22.