**Wenonah Free Public Library**

**Minutes 6-7-2017**

**Present: Michelle Contarino, Rachel McCalley, Anne Zuber, Carol Newman, Tom Myers, Susy Christensen, John Dominy**

**Meeting called to order at 7:07pm and Open Public Meeting Notice Given.**

**Minutes:**

May meeting minutes reviewed. Motion to approve by Susy Christensen and seconded by Carol Newman. All in favor and minutes approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** **Given by Carol Newman.**

Business checking balance is $4,134. 78 and savings balance is $17, 951.35. Motion to approved Treasurer’s Report and Bills List made by Susy Christensen and seconded by Rachel McCalley. All in favor. Treasurer’s Report and Bill’s List approved.

**Librarian Report**

May 2017 stats

AF-232 ANF-51 JF-93 JNF-18 Vid-176 Aud-5 = 575 + JerseyCat 27 + eBook/Audio Downloads-89 Total = 691

EDS usage in May-38 sessions, 533 searches **2016** May 530 + eBook/Audio Downloads-97 Total = 627

**Old Business**

~ Emmons -Front door refinished inside 5/11/17. Loud squeak developed and company contacted to address this issue.

~Became JerseyCat lenders as of 5/15/17. Have filled 34 requests since that date! **Both Jersey Cats and EDS will increase usage #’s.**

~Discovered that Steeplechase still held warrantee for irrigation system until September. Opted to have them maintain for

 one more season. Ken’s Lawn service able to take over next year. Asked Brad from Ken’s to weed mulched areas.

~Furnace inspected by Zurich-Recommended repairs completed 5/26/17. Form returned to NJ State agency for issuance of

 certificate. A/C & Heater have had annual cleaning and inspections completed by W.B. Steward.

~Wilson vs. Wenonah- Ellen O’Laughlin and Anne Zuber were asked to meet June 28, 2017.

~Mosaic by Rebekah Cohen complete-Paid our portion; awaiting grant money to be paid to us then forwarded to Rebekah.

 Update 5/17/17 Company notified Rebekah that check should arrive in June.

~Lion’s Club offer of donation in memory of John Howard. Lion’s Club made contact 6/5/17 to say the memorial has

 been ordered and will contact us when they need to schedule installation. Anyone want to manage this? Dedication

 planned around noon on July 4th. Will be in their printed program. **John offered to contact Ron and Dan Cox regarding installation.**

~Shall we buy our own flagpole and flag? **ACME Lingo Flagpoles will come out for an estimate.**

~Suzy to report on “branding” and signage? **Anne will purchase signs from Vista Print. Susy shared 3 possible logos. It was decided that the issue will be tabled until the next meeting.**

~Program brochures and poster placed in municipal building. Program brochures at school library.

**New Business**

~Summer Reading Program “Build a Better World”. Held planning meetings with Karel Black & Cindy Mullens.

 Banner hung, registrations being accepted, ending program, Turtle Dance Music, scheduled for 7/28/17, 10:00AM.

~Develop plan (and schedule) for promoting programming.

~StoryWalk® has been vandalized twice; weekend of 4/22 & 5/27/17. New plexiglass was paid for from donations.

 The next repair may cost us. Police notified in both instances.

~Sirsi reports training (6/2) and Bluecloud cataloging (6/6) training attended by Anne and Ellen (cataloging only)

~Rough raft of audit report received from Ball, Buckley & Seher. **Anne has already begun working on the audit for next year.**

~Rain garden is overgrown-Asked Rich Dilks to evaluate and make recommendations for weeding. Will contact the

 Master Gardeners’ program to see about having the garden regularly maintained. **Tom volunteered to be a liason for Boyscouts assisting with garden care and maintenance.**

~EDS usage. See attached. **It was suggested that we inform Gateway teachers about log in so that students can utilize EDS.**

**~Susy suggested several ideas for revamping the upstairs of the library. Some of her ideas included removing a table and replacing it with comfortable chairs, making it more “Barnes and Noble esq” with coffee and tea.**

**~It was decided that a good first step toward this direction would be to get an estimate for electric as the lamps are hardwired and would need to be removed. Tom Leonard be contacted for the estimate as he has done most of the electric work in the library.**

**~Several fundraiser suggestions were made in order to pay for this project, including A Go Fund Me campaign as well as a possible “Wine and Cheese” party on the library patio. It was also suggested that the antique library table be auctioned off at the event.**

**Not yet accomplished**

~An Open/Closed sign for the outside of the building.

~ Michelle suggested a “homebound” program that would be a proactive service, bringing books to residents that were homebound due to sickness or injury. Other ideas Michelle discussed were a “Mommy and Me” book club for younger readers. She also suggested implementing a town wide reading program, with a “Where’s Waldo” theme that would incorporate local business and/or residences.

**Friends- Michelle Contarino**

**Tween book club next met on 6/9/17 to discuss “Freak the Mighty.” 10 children attended and enjoyed great conversation around the book, followed by pizza.**

**Susy makes motion to close the meeting and John seconds the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.**

**Next meeting, August 2, 2017 at 7:00pm.**