

Wenonah Free Public Library Board Meeting
May 4, 2011

Present: Barbara Conway, Thomas Curry, Tom Lombardo, Cynthia Mullens, Carol Newman, Pat Sole, Frank Vogel, Anne Zuber

Barbara Conway opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. After roll call and Open Public meetings notice, the board reviewed the minutes from March 2. Anne made corrections in the amounts originally given in the minutes. The account that has \$1,802.43 is a secondary account and will be eventually closed. After this explanation, Thomas Curry made a motion to accept, and Carol Newman seconded. Motion passed.

Carol Newman presented the following figures, Custom Business Checking (new acct.) \$8,281.91, Essential Business Checking (old acct.) \$1,830.26, and Business High Yield Savings 53,068.29. Thomas Curry made a motion to accept, and Tommy Lombardo seconded. Motion passed.

Librarian's Report

Anne reported that she is recommending that the board hire Christine Caldwell who lives on East Elm to work Monday and Wednesday evening. Ms. Caldwell is an English teacher and she has written four short stories that are published. Her goal is to publish a book. Presently, she is a substitute teacher; this job will not interfere with a Monday and Wednesday schedule. Anne interviewed seven applicants. Anne offered the position to another person who declined to accept. Carol Newman made a motion hire Christine Caldwell, and Tommy Lombardo seconded. Motion passed.

Anne presented resolution 2011-1 that establishes pay rates for library employees. Resolution is attached. Carol Newman made a motion to accept, and Cynthia Mullens seconded. Motion passed.

To date, a few residents have voted for a landscaping proposal. Thomas Curry will investigate milky spores, since this is the first step in each plan. If the price is under \$500.00 to apply the milky spores, Tom may proceed without approval. Hopefully by the July meeting, fact finding will be complete, and board will make a decision at the September 7th meeting. The one stolen downspout has been replaced. The chimney area is still shedding plaster. Thomas Curry will investigate spray sealant. The person who agreed to give estimate on window well covers and inspect the chimney has not given an estimate or investigated the chimney. There is no news on replacement windows.

Next, the board reviewed the quote for exterior front camera for \$745.00, and basement camera for \$360.00 with a \$150.00 discount if both cameras are installed at the same time. Thomas Curry made a motion to accept this proposal from GCSI Security Group, and Pat Sole seconded. Motion passed.

The library circulated 1013 items in March, and 950 items in April.

Anne Zuber and Carol Newman attended the meeting in April on the strategic planning document. Staff and community leaders should be interviewed regarding their opinions on library service. A community survey will help in this process. Anne reminded the board of their responsibility to write the document. Carol Newman, Tommy Lombardo, Thomas Curry, Cynthia Mullens, Frank Vogel, and Anne Zuber will serve on the committee. Community members, Vince Malfitano, Chris Murtha, Kathy Tully, and Annemarie Sparks will be asked to serve. Anne will ask LOG-IN libraries about their strategic planning documents. The strategic planning committee will meet on May 19 at 4 p.m.

At 8:55 p.m. Thomas Curry made a motion to adjourn, and Tommy Lombardo seconded. Motion passed, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Mullens