

Board Meeting Minutes [posted 6/16/2021 not yet approved]

New York Mills Public Library

June 6, 2021 (Wednesday)

Open Meeting : 7:02 pm

Board Members:

Present: J. Wolanin

P. Nowakowski

D. Spost

Absent: B. Brown

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 7:02 by P. Nowakowski

Approval of May minutes by J. Wolanin second by D. Spost passed unanimously

Treasurers report Vouchers signed for \$1,460.47

Income: \$67.00

Phil made a motion to pay vouchers second by D. Spost

Directors report: see attached

Communication: Letter received from R. Lehman (see attached) and sign next to rear door entrance.

New and old Business:

Approve hiring of Sophie Van Dusen for page position

Accept resignation of D. Spost and B. Brown members to Village Mayor motion made by P. Nowakowski second by J. Wolanin

New Terms as follow:

5 year term 2001-2026 Paulette Salamy vacated by Kelly Rielly

Partial term: John Plow 7/21 -5/2024 vacated by Denise Spost

Partial term: Janet Griffiths 8/21- 5/23 vacated by Brenda Brown (07/2021)

Waiting List: for future vacancies-Kim Maxwell

Adjournment: 7:55 Motion made by D. Spost second J. Wolanin, Passed

Next meeting: July 6, 2021 Tuesday 6:00 pm.

Minutes respectively submitted by P. Nowakowski

Report for May 2021

In an informal email survey of mask protocols of Mid-York libraries with 13 reporting: 10 continue to require masks for the same reason we are, to protect the unvaccinated, including families with children that are not yet eligible, in accordance with the New York State Health Department recommendation, and 3 are not requiring masks for those that are vaccinated, on the honor system. I will continue to monitor information from the CDC and the New York State Health Department and the protocols followed by public libraries.

I applied for 2 small grants to help get more public access computers into service. The first was a Telemedicine Access at the Library grant from the Community Foundation. This is for \$900 to purchase a Chromebook, a webcam and a headset to be set up in the kitchen area. This can be used for telemedicine appointments as well as for virtual job interviews or trainings. We just found out that we received this grant. The second was a Recovery Grant application from CLRC. This is for \$1,250 to purchase 5 four foot tables that would hold 5 of our existing public access computers with adequate spacing instead of the six foot tables that now hold 2 computers each (too close together.) The 6 foot tables would be repurposed for WI-FI tables in the library. We have not yet heard whether we are approved for the second grant.

The Village is still finalizing their plans for a Parks Program to be held in the Beekman Gym at the school. I would like to organize some library programs for them if they have room in their schedule. The ones popular with the children in the past have been the Zoomobile, which is running this summer, the drumming and anything with movement. The drummer I used before does not seem to be available; however, I have a great candidate to do yoga for children. We do not have room for the yoga here so I hope I can get the Parks Program to accept my help in organizing that for the children.

For the Summer Reading Program I plan on doing another round of Book Bingo with cards for grades K-4 and 5-6 and prizes – we have the canvas backpacks from previous years, and I purchased brag tags with the Tails and Tales theme for this year. I submitted a Library News article for the Village newsletter about this and will get a page up on our website this week.

May 2021 Statistics: the library was open for 20 weekdays and 5 Saturdays.

<p>Circulation: AV (CDs, DVDs): 129 BOOKS: 678 MAGAZINES: 1 Total: 822</p>	<p>Circulation: UTICA-CITY: 238 NYMLS-WHIT: 160 NYMLS-NHAR: 51 NHARTF-TN: 92 YORKVLE-VL: 116 WHTSBR-VL: 58 Other: 107</p>	<p>Public computer use: Total logins: 122 Unique: 50 Guest: 19</p>	<p>Meeting room activity: none</p>
<p>Overdrive: NA ebook checkouts: audiobook checkouts: magazine checkouts: patrons:</p>			<p>Wireless usage: 48 sessions Website 333 sessions, 425 page views</p>

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Berry