

STREATOR PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board Minutes
September 17, 2019

President Dave Reed called the September meeting of the Streator Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:30 p.m.

Present were board members Ed Brozak, Jane Farero, Gloria Gubbels, Theresa Lukach, Ellen Park, Dave Reed, and Gary Wheeler and Library Director Cynthia Maxwell.

Board members Spencer Lawrence and Ellen Vogel were absent.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Board secretary Jane Farero presented the minutes of the August meeting. Motion by Ellen Park to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Ed Brozak. Motion passed by voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The monthly treasurer's report was presented. Motion by Gary Wheeler to accept the report as presented. Seconded by Ellen Park. Motion passed by voice vote.

The board questioned why there are two gas bills in one month and why the bills are so high at this time of the year. Director Maxwell is to research the matter and report to the board at the October board meeting.

Theresa Lukach reported the Endres Endowment is valued at \$100,304.35.

There were no bills presented for payment.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was presented.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Friends of the Library will be participating in the Downtown Trick or Treat. This year the function will take place on October 26.

Melvin Plumbing repaired the roof drain for \$725.

A minor leak has appeared in the ceiling of the future meeting room. It appears to be coming from the dome area.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Reed provided updated contact information on the board and the library director.

Three committees and committee members were appointed for the upcoming referendum.

Sponsorship: Spencer Lawrence, Gary Wheeler, Gloria Gubbels

Public Relations: Dave Reed, Ellen Vogel, Ed Brozak, Cynthia Maxwell

Legalities: Ellen Park, Jane Farero, Theresa Lukach, Dave Reed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ed Brozak of Building and Grounds would like to investigate moving the dumpster so the drop box can be moved and the city can restripe the parking lot.

The Fund Raising Committee has decided to move the Mystery Dinner to February of 2020.

Committees were reminded that it is necessary to post notice of committee meetings 48 hours prior to the meeting in order to be in compliance with the open meetings act. Notice is to be posted at the library and on the library's website.

It was decided that the committee chairperson is responsible for seeing that the meeting information is posted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No work has been done on the meeting room since early July.

NEW BUSINESS

Director Maxwell will have some estimates on dome roof repair for the October meeting.

Ed Brozak will investigate possible bids for the necessary masonry repairs to the library.

Director Maxwell suggested to the board that we consider closing at 5 p.m on Friday and Saturday since there are seldom people using the library between 5 and 6 p.m. on those days.

Motion by Jane Farero to set the library hours on Friday and Saturday at 9 to 5 beginning January 2020. Seconded by Ellen Park. Motion carried by voice vote.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Wreith Farero
Board Secretary