

Philmont Public Library

101 Main Street
Philmont, NY 12565

November 6, 2019

The regular November meeting of the Philmont Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Faith Benson. Also present were Vice President Dave Bolevice, Secretary Rain Whittaker, Treasurer Jason Kenny, Nathaniel Drake, Director Tobi Farley, and Villiage Liaison Representative Barbara Sagal.

Minutes: A MOTION to accept the October 2019 minutes was made by Drake, seconded by Bolevice, and unanimously approved.

Correspondence: Whittaker sent a congratulatory card to the Claverack Library on the occasion of their grand opening and thanked them for their continued partnership.

President's Report: was presented by Benson.

1. Benson shared about MHLS workshop attended with Whittaker on 10/5/19.
2. Report on the 10/22/19 introductory meeting of local community representatives.
3. Correspondence with Casey Conlin from MHLS to discuss role of treasurer of a municipal village library. Conference call scheduled for 11/8/19.

Treasurer's Report: was presented by Kenny. The library's operating funds currently totals Checking: \$37,240.47, Savings: \$5,903.37, Reserve - capital project: \$13,211.00
For a grand total of \$56,354.84.

Village Liason Report: Sagal reported that she spoke with Chrissy Speed about library bank statements and that she does not have the reconciled bank statement until the 3rd full week or 15th of each month.

Library Director's Report:

1. Building and Grounds: there are several lights out in the library, Doug Cropper has facilitated the purchase of ballasts to make repairs, Patrick Farley will install when they arrive.
2. Services: High Falls Pizzeria has joined the list of participants for Community Story Hour for January.
3. Dec. 14th will be the Christmas Ornament workshop
4. The next Repair Cafe is scheduled for Nov. 16th
5. Two new services are listed on the library website, Kanopy & Universal Class
6. Farley presented a draft of the new Library Incident Report form

7. As of Nov. 1st, Macmillan Publishing institutes its new policy allowing for only one e-book purchase for each library system for the first 8 weeks of a book's publication.

Grants/State/County Aid Funding:

\$2,000 Hover Foundation - local history archive project.

Committee Reports: Drake discussed the Oct. 23rd committee meeting and made a MOTION to have policy committee meetings regularly scheduled for the second Wed. of the month at 5 PM, seconded by Benson, unanimously approved. Old and proposed policy changes will be emailed before monthly meeting. Next meeting will be Nov. 13th.

Old Business:

1. Benson presented the final logo, Bolevice made a MOTION to accept the final logo, seconded by Whittaker, unanimously approved.
2. Possible new board members discussed. Mindy Gardner will be submitting a letter of introduction before next meeting.

New Business:

1. Tabled.

Action List:

All: research the idea of eliminating library fines.

A MOTION to adjourn was made by Drake, seconded by Bolevice, and unanimously approved at 8:45 PM

. The next library board meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, December 4, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Rain Whittaker, Secretary