

Wallkill Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
September 6, 2016

President Ken Simon called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Present:

Todd Craner, Lynne Diener, Kathy Goulden, Susan Burhans Haldeman, Lisa Palmer, Debbie Reese, Ken Simon, Mary Lou VanAken

Absent: Brian Ackley (excused), Dennis O'Mara

Public comments: Meryl shared the WPL welcome letter we used to give to realtors for new residents. She thought we might like to do this again. She will send us an electronic copy to update and use.

Guest: Alex Dannon arrived at 7:30 to make his presentation.

President's Report: As the speaker wasn't here we went on to minutes.

2016-9-A Todd moved and Debbie seconded that we approve the August minutes as written. Motion passed.

Director's Report: See attached report for details.

Audit is scheduled for the 4th and 5th of October.

Summer Reading Program was really successful. We had more kids and adults than ever before.

Resume writing offered and popular. Library will be open later on Friday during the WOW events.

The quotes that Lisa got for work on the air conditioner are:

Rycor-\$4,000

Access-\$3,260

Chanowitz-\$2,975 (local-unknown)

Joe Vogel \$3,100 (local-several personal references and recommendations)

Carpet installation is Oct. 12-14 and we will need to close. Also, the afternoon of the 11th and at least the morning of the 15th it will need to close to box the books and put the books back out after the work is done.

Alex Dannon, co-chair of the Main Street Revitalization Committee, arrived at 7:30 to share plans from the committee to put up a town clock in the corner of Rte. 208 and Park on the library lawn. It will cost around \$24,000 and will be funded through donations. Since there have been Boy Scout plans to put up a kiosk it was suggested that we see if the scout kiosk could replace the small town one at the head of the rail trail which would free up the space on the lawn for the clock.

Finance Committee/Treasurer's Report:

The monthly financial report was reviewed at meeting. The bills were approved and paid for the past month.

2016-9-B Todd moved and Kathy seconded that we approve the warrant report for August. Motion passed.

2016-9-C Kathy moved and Mary Lou seconded that we move \$15,000 from Tax Levy Money Market to Key Payroll for September payroll. Motion passed.

2016-9-D Debbie moved and Lynne seconded that we move \$5,000 from Tax Levy Money Market to Key Operating for rest of September bills. Motion passed.

2016-9-E Todd moved and Debbie seconded that we approve a budget transfer of \$10,000 from Gross Payroll to Maintenance –Building Improvements to cover the cost of the carpet and A/C project. Motion passed.

2016-9-F Todd moved and Kathy seconded that we revoke the board motions 2016-7-G and 2016-7-A regarding how the carpet project will be funded as funds are available due to change in salaries between director and manager. Motion passed.

2016-9-G Kathy moved and Mary Lou seconded that we renew the Bell Grant for three months. Motion passed.

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2016-9-I Lynne moved and Susie seconded that we adjust the by-laws to state that current WPL staff are not permitted to become Board Members whilst employed by WPL. Additionally, any current Board Member who becomes employed by WPL must resign from the Board. Motion passed.

2016-9-J Debbie moved and Kathy seconded that we raise the handyman's salary by \$2 an hour to bring it more in line with other library's handyman salaries. Motion passed.

2016-9-K Todd moved and Mary Lou seconded that we amend the charter as stated below. Motion passed

The resolution for the charter amendment:

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Resolved: That the President and Secretary of the corporation, on behalf of the board of trustees be and they hereby are authorized to execute a petition to be addressed "To the Regents of the University of the State of New York" for such purpose.

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Strategic plan was discussed and we will continue to discuss ideas brought up by the results of the survey the library did. Most surveyed didn't feel the need for a new building but did bring up issues with space, bathrooms and access to programs.

Adjourned session 8:36 P.M.

Summary of Motions:

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Respectfully Submitted,

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