

Depauville Free Library  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Meeting called to order at 11:10 a.m.

Attendance: Tresa Forkey, Jan Larrow, Teresa Gallup, Linda Brewer, Gail Egeressy, Phil Pond, Deb Rantanen, Karen Lago

Motion to approve May 2018 minutes with correction to paint reference by Tresa, seconded by Deb.

**June Objective: HUMAN RESOURCES**

**Treasurer's Report approved.**

Bank Balance: \$47,635.98 (as of June 1)

Major Expenses (excluding salaries and books): \$700 (Marc Black concert and workshop at TI), \$114.80 (Straw bales), \$309 (workman's Comp), \$682.88 (Property Insurance)

Income: \$850 (Marc Black concert), \$296 (Wilson Stevenson)

Discussed very positive feedback on concert. May consider doing it again in the future.

**Director's Report**

**Program Attendance in May**

Story Times here and on the road	46
Tutoring at the library	27
Library Board Meeting	7
Model Railroad Club	22
Writers Group	6
Chess Club	14
Book Club	8
BB Crafters	11
Quilters	2
Marc Black concert	90
Marc Black songwriting workshop at TI	28
Second Saturday Cinema	7
Wilson Stevenson	28
Beekeepers	14

**Facebook Stats for May**

Likes	Posts	Reach	Engaged Users
414	23	2882	267

**Upcoming Programs / Events:**

Model Railroad Club meets every Thursday at 3:30.

Chess Club – unless a new instructor is found, there will be no meetings during the summer.

A quilting group will be meeting twice a month on Tuesday mornings.

6/9 Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Let there be light, 7pm

6/25 Summer Lunch Program begins (ends 8/17)

6/26-27 Babysitting Course, 10-4

7/10 Summer tutoring begins (ends mid August)

7/12 Story time with Regi, DOGS, 11am

7/19 Story time with Regi, CATS, 11am

7/26 Story time with Regi, SPOOKY, 11am

7/31 Soup and Stories for Supper, multi-generational storytelling with Regi, 6pm

8/2 Story time with Regi, SLIME, 11am

8/2	Regi Carpenter Adult Performance, "Fractured Fairy Tales for Grown Ups", 6pm
8/11	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Sonic Sea, 7pm
8/16	"Songs for a Livable Land" performed by Nan Hoffman, 1pm
8/22	Town of Clayton Board meeting in Depauville, 5pm
9/1	Sidewalk Chalk Art
9/29	Summer Squeeze
10/6	Cardboard Challenge
10/13	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Brainwashing of my Dad, 7pm
10/20	International Archaeology Day
11/10	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Breadwinner, 4pm
12/8	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Public, 4pm

### **Unfinished Business**

Fran Ludlow's project to repair the spread and sashes of our Farley Windows via Northern Glass, having gone on so long with no action, Karen called Fran and said that we were tabling the work for now, with the Town possibly taking it up at a later date.

On 2/6, re-requested funds (\$8000) from **Sen. Ritchie** for front iron railing to be made by Grindstone Fabrications. Karen will contact again to see if the money was earmarked for DFL. The recent letter from the Town referenced \$3000 for this project, but it's unclear exactly what the source of this money would be. DFL is eligible for a construction grant from NCLS. Karen will discuss with Dawn Vincent when NCLS comes for their upcoming routine visit.

Inventory of Library property: Jan created a video and Excel inventory; replacement values need to be found.

Historic Marker for Native Pathway .... Catskill Castings ... Dedication Ceremony will be on 7/28. See background information from the April 11 Town board minutes:

There used to be a Historical Marker at the bottom of Depauville Hill, which is long gone. The State Dept. of Transportation will not allow another Historical Marker to be located in their right-of-way. The Hamlet of Depauville was mostly Native American land utilized by the Indians. A Historical Sign could possibly be placed by the gazebo site which is owned by the Town of Clayton.

Supervisor Storandt stated he would work with Mr. Knapp to write a letter of support for this project.

Depauville's suffrage petition on the State's Women's Heritage Trail! **WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE COMMISSION.** Still in the works.

County Funding: Hawn's board is willing to meet with Depauville's board this spring to discuss the issue. Board members should notify Karen of any dates we are unable to meet with them. Target is June 27 or 28 meeting.

School Ballot vote PASSED !!

Smart Schools Bond Act through TI School District ... hopefully there will be money for Hot Spots.

### **New Business**

Speaker's Club: Karen is investigating a program to teach youth how to speak in public. Would be a valuable program offering.

Automation is mandated by the state within 3 years. Karen is in talks with NCLS about how to proceed.

Letter to Town Board and their response. DFL Board supports a face-to-face meeting with our officers, Dave Storandt, and our library liaison, Nolan Knapp, as soon as possible to discuss and clarify outstanding issues. Deb will pursue setting up a meeting.

Paint the front door blue and trim white .... Will pursue with Bill Blance.

Two building projects need attention: SEED LIBRARY GREENHOUSE & PAPERBACK SHELVING. Karen will call BOCES about helping with the project(s). Deb will contact Steve Smithers (Technology and Engineering Program teacher from TICSD) about this as a potential student project.

CLERK - Potsdam grad from Dexter, Monika Leubner, start date, May 31.

Carley Wilkie, youth intern will begin her 10 hour per week position. A representative for the Summer Youth and Young Adult Employment Program, Courtney Tinucci, spoke to Karen. Possible SU intern – Karen posted our position, but haven't heard anything yet.

Facility Issues:

- The Trane unit began malfunctioning. Town directed Karen to call Woody Dee to investigate. The unit could still be under warranty.
- The Ashmead's Kernel apple tree is not doing well and may not survive.
- Need plantings for the box beneath the sign. Periwinkle?
- Repairs to the new sign were completed by Mark Stewart

Health insurance for the next library director...

Deb: List of existing clubs and club advisors at area schools for help in promoting our youth programs.

EVENTS IN THE WORKS:

Civics Class ...

Latin Class ...

Renting the Opera House for Dr. Andrew Stern

The Board went into Executive Session from 12:45 to 12:50.

The next meeting will be Thursday, July 12 at 5PM.

Tresa F. made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Teresa G. Meeting adjourned at 12:52 PM.