

**Village of New Glarus  
Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees  
New Glarus Public Library  
Tuesday, January 26, 2016**

President Linda Hiland called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. in the New Glarus Village Hall Board Room. Trustees present (in addition to Hiland) were: Kevin Budsberg, Jody Hoesly, Suzi Janowiak, Lexa Speth, Petra Streiff and Becky Weiss. Also in attendance was Library Director Lauren White.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved to approve the agenda by S. Janowiak, second by K. Budsberg. Motion Carried.

**COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:** There were no comments or questions.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. DISCUSSION & CONSIDERATION: 2016 LIBRARY HOLIDAY CLOSURES:** Prior to the meeting Director White had emailed a list of proposed days to close the Library in 2016. She also shared that the Village has not yet finalized the days they would be closed. Both B. Weiss and L. Speth added that their jobs were following the same proposed schedule as well.

Moved to approve the list of 2016 Holiday closure dates by L. Hiland, second by J. Hoesly. Motion Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. DISCUSSION & CONSIDERATION: LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT:** L. Hiland reported that Village Administrator Bryan Gadow has contacted Ehlers & Associates the Village Financial Consultants, to request ideas on financing options. She has not heard an update on the progress of drafting the Glarner Park lease. L. Hiland, K. Budsberg and P. Streiff discussed some of the differences and pros and cons of a lease versus a land agreement. L. Hiland will forward the West Side land agreement to P. Streiff as an example for her to review. K. Budsberg was particularly interested in how the lease could be amended.

Next L. Hiland gave a brief update of the Donor Event hosted by the Co-Chairs the night before. First, we were pleased with the number of people who were able to attend given the snowfall. One, of the items mentioned was people's perceptions about visiting New Glarus and how they view schools, park facilities, and other amenities. It was suggested to check with local realtors and get their observations on what people see and say when considering moving to the New Glarus area. Additionally, getting an update on the Town of New Glarus impact fees was brought up. L. Hiland had circulated letters of support that had been sent to B. Gadow. J. Hoesly asked if we need to provide anything to Dimension IV or Maas Brothers; K. Budsberg replied no, but that he continues to give them both updates.

## **REPORTS/DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION:**

- A. ADMINISTRATION TEAM:** B. Weiss reported that the CFSW (Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin) report balanced last month and that the charts had been emailed prior to the meeting.  
K. Budsberg suggested that in regards to the endowment campaign, since it has been several years ago since we contracted with CFSW that we should consider checking what other options, if any, are out there and how they may benefit us.  
J. Hoesly added that she had emailed Linda Gebhardt, CFSW Donor Services Representative, as the link to our endowment campaign was not on the CFSW website; L. Gebhardt replied that CFSW tech staff is working on repairing the link.
- B. BUILDING COMMITTEE:** Have not had a recent meeting. K. Budsberg suggested that if the Building Committee will not be meeting in awhile to schedule a meeting to approve the minutes. B. Weiss replied that there is currently only one set of minutes to be approved. That we can call a meeting at any time, but she did not think it would be months before the Building Committee met again.
- C. CO-CHAIRS TEAM:** Rachel Frye is currently working on scheduling partial profit events at local business, in the upcoming months. J. Hoesly asked if any of the campaign materials needed to be updated. L. Hiland and K. Budsberg talked about the recent changes that had been done to the materials. L. Speth, P. Streiff and J. Hoesly offered thoughts on items that may need to be updated or incorporated in the materials. S. Janowiak has the foam design boards and will deliver them to Director White. Additionally, it was stressed that the Library Board need to focus on recruiting individuals that have specific skills for the Co-Chair role and Communications Team. That to help distribute the workflow, it is best to have separate individuals if possible.
- D. COMMUNICATION TEAM:** K. Budsberg volunteered to draft a Letter to The Editor to provide an update on the project to the public.
- E. GRANTS TEAM:** Jim Gersich, Dimension IV Madison Design Group had sent to L. Hiland information he had found on a DNR (Department of Natural Resources) grant; L. Hiland had forward the information to J. Hoesly.
- F. PARTNERSHIP TEAM:** Director White has booked a program with the New Glarus Home, scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2 p.m. The program will focus on Mark Twain this year; it is by the group that performed the popular Abraham Lincoln program last year.
- G. VILLAGE BOARD LIAISON:** P. Streiff will check with B. Gadow for an update on the Glarner Park Lease.
- H. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:** We talked about who would be participating in Trivia Night on Saturday, February 6th, held at Barnaby's Monticello House. Director White added that they have Trivia Night tickets available in the Library. S. Janowiak added that plans continue for FootGolf at Argue-ment Golf Course during the month of May. The plan is that you would buy your tickets in advance and schedule your tee times and play anytime during the month of May.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned on a motion by K. Budsberg, second by B. Weiss. Motion carried at 7:29 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Becky Weiss, Secretary*

*MINUTES APPROVED AT THE FEBRUARY 9, 2016 LIBRARY BOARD MEETING*