Village of New Glarus Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees New Glarus Public Library Tuesday, July 11, 2017

Present: Petra Streiff Kevin Budsberg, Jody Hoesly, Bob Bergum, and Linda Hiland. Absent:, Suzi Janowiak. Also in attendance was Director Lauren White. Shelly Truttman has agreed to serve as the seventh trustee but was unable to attend and has not been sworn in.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Hiland called the meeting to order at 6:37PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Bob Bergum moved to approve agenda, second by Jody Hoesly. Motion Carried unanimously.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments or questions.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. DISCUSSION: 2018 BUDGET:

Director White outlined that Village Administrator Gadow requested all village department heads begin work on their annual budgets. As usual, this request is early in the library's budget cycle, as Green County aid and budget supplement are not finalized. These items constitute a large portion of the library's revenue. Other key points presented by Director White were (1) health and dental benefit increases were estimated by Village Clerk Erb at 10%, and (2) wages and benefits are estimated to increase by approximately \$4,000 each.

For the first time this year, the village has asked for a five-year capital expense plan for each department. The board had several questions: would the building project be included on this plan; how does the village define a capital item; how do operational costs, building costs, and capital costs differ; what would happen if there was a difference between requested items and the amount available for funding, and how might uncertainty around the building project effect this plan? Director White was seeking specific recommendations on what items the board would like to see included in the plan. The consensus of the board was to wait for clarification of the above items before developing the capital plan. Director White expressed her belief that the most important part of this agenda item was to work on the 2018 budget; she would seek clarification from Administrator Gadow on the items above and report back to the board. The board agreed that it would probably be acceptable for the capital plan to follow the 2018 budget if needed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT:

Ms. Streiff indicated that the next step in the village's decision process on the ball field is for Administrator Gadow to identify what might be available within the village

for alternative ball field locations, and the cost of acquisition, and report back to the Village Board. The Village Board would then make the best decision on how to proceed with the options available.

B. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION: STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE: Director White indicated that one more focused session would be scheduled within the next month, and an open public forum would be held shortly after the final focused session. The hope is to have the plan complete and ready for presentation to the library board by Fall or early Winter.

BILLS & FINANCE REPORT:

- **A. BILLS:** Two sets of bills were reviewed and approved, dated 6/27/2017 and 7/11/2017 in the amount of 577.29 and \$2,427.89, respectively.
- **B. FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** See statement attached below.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The board reviewed the Director's report, which is attached below. The board expressed gratitude for the Director's efforts in preparing her reports and remarked on the quality of the contents.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **A. JUNE 13, 2017**: Mister Bob Bergum moved to approve the minutes without correction, Second by Ms. Petra Streiff. Motion passed unanimously.
- **B.** JUNE 27, 2017: Ms. Petra Streiff moved to approve the minutes. Second by Mister Bob Bergum. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: President Hiland adjourned the meeting at 7:25PM

Respectfully Submitted, Kevin Budsberg, Secretary Pro Tempore

LIBRARY		
SAVINGS #402521390 (APY .10%)		
Beg. Balance	32,969.04	
Interest	2,17	
Deposit		
Fundraising expense (Dimension IV)		
End. Balance	<u></u>	32,971.21
Savings #2088077 [25-11520] (APY .10%)		
Beg. Balance	4,603.34	
Withdrawal		
Deposit (CFSW donation)		
Interest	0.31	
End. Balance		4,603.65
SUBTOTAL [25-11520]		37,574.86
UB&T MM#183483-EMPLOYEE BENEFIT [25-11300] Beg. Balance	18,857.85	
Interest	18.41	
End Balance		18,876.26
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New Glarus Public Library Director's Report – July 11th, 2016 Lauren White, Director

Harry Potter Party:

In celebration of the 20th anniversary of the release of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, NGPL hosted a fantastic party for witches, wizards, and even muggles! We had close to 150 attendees present and children had the chance to be sorted into their respective houses, make slime, play quidditch, fight dementors, and even participate in worm races. We had amazing volunteers on hand to help guide participants through the various activities and many parents had as much fun as their children.

Strategic Planning-Community Conversations:

With the help of Shawn Brommer from the South Central Library System, we have hosted two targeted community conversations. The first was with seniors and retirees and was held at the New Glarus Home chapel. We had 18 participants for that session and the conversation was very productive around what residents want for their community and what they like most about New Glarus. The second session targeted parents and families and while smaller at only 8 attendees, the conversation was incredibly useful. Participants were asked similar questions and the group was able to steer the conversation towards features that are most important to them. We are waiting for the next steps from Shawn, but there is discussion about holding another community conversation as well as an open forum for residents.

Fall Author Visits:

We are very excited to announce that we have two author visits scheduled this fall! The first is with author Elizabeth Berg, a New York Times bestselling author. She will discuss her life, work, and writing and will be available for a Q&A session afterwards. She will also be available for book signings. Our second author is non-fiction writer Eric Schlehlein, who will present a program based on his book Black Iron Mercy, a traditionally-published novel of the American Civil War. "Forged in Blood: How the Iron Brigade earned its metallic moniker," a 40 minutes program, tells the story of more than three thousand Wisconsin boys who served in the Iron Brigade during the Civil War. This brigade would suffer the highest casualties of any Union brigade during the war. We have partnered with the Historical Society and New Glarus home for this program. We're incredibly excited about both programs!

May 2017 Program Attendance

Event	Date	Number of Attendees		
Scrabble	Tuesday, June 6 th			
Community Conversation	Wednesday, June 7 th	18		
Maker Monday	Monday, June 12 th	28C/10A		
Scrabble	Tuesday, June 13 th	2		
Book Club	Wednesday, June 14 th	10		
Mr. Steve Program	Thursday, June 15 th	31C/18A		
Heidi Event	Friday, June 16 th	10A/5C		
Maker Monday	Monday, June 19ht	36C/11A		
Scrabble	Tuesday, June 20 th	3		
Community Conversation	Tuesday, June 20 th	8		
Stuntology	Friday, June 23 rd	60C/18A		
Harry Potter Party	Monday, June 26 th	92C/36A		
Scrabble	Tuesday, June 27 th	2		
Lego Movie	Thursday, June 29 th	15C/4A		

June 2017 Monthly Statistics

New Glarus				Circ. by		Town of			Dane Co.
Public Library	Items	Items		PSTAT	Village of	New		Town of	No
2017	Added	Deleted	Circulation	Other	New Glarus		Town of York	Exeter	Library
January	221	304	6060	1440	3020	1633	1072	1526	249
February	247	272	5260	1499	2781	1033	882	1520	243
March	216	186	6267	1256	2756	1199	571	243	242
April	210	274	5067	804	2283	1058	486	167	269
May	226	98	5629	834	2671	1123	532	164	305
June	196	47	6562	970	2896		668	231	305
July	150	·	0302	570	2030	14/1	000	231	520
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October									
November									
December									
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February	14 13	8	4	805	1049	2385 2202			10 9
March									
April	9	4	1	704	1119	2333		???	10
May	17	10	0	865	1270	2366		???	8
June	26	11	5	825	1254	2333	157	???	21
July									
August									
September									
October									
November									
December									
Total:	91	53	11	4736	7387	13710	907		77
				# Adult	# Adults		# Children	Total	Total #
			Patrons/Hour	-	Count	Programs	Count	Programs	Attend
January	2441	195	13	8	16		128C/29A	13	173
February	2383	200	12	9	33		65C/19A	12	117
March	2866	227	13	7	72		160C/79A	16	316
April	2233	187	12	9	127		96C/38A	14	261
May	2681	218	12	6	25		471C/54A	13	550
June	3,559	218	16	7	43	7	267C/107A	14	417
July									
August									
September									
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December									
Total:	16163	1245	78	46	316	36	1187C/326A	82	1834