

**VILLAGE OF NEW GLARUS  
MINUTES OF THE NEW GLARUS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Village Hall-Community Room**

**Wednesday, July 7, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order: President Linda Hiland called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Those present, in addition to Hiland, were trustees Beth Blahut, Shelly Truttmann, Kaylee Walters (left meeting at conclusion of Library Board reorganization), Suzi Janowiak, Library Director Holly Lague and Village Board trustee Tammy Newberry.
2. Approval of Agenda: Linda Hiland announced one change to the agenda: Closed Session B was not necessary at this meeting. Walters moved to approve with the update, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry. Motion carried.
3. Announcement:
  - A. The Library Board will convene into closed session called under WI State Statute 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility (Interim director candidate).
  - B. The Library Board will convene into closed session called under WI State Statute 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Negotiation of purchase agreement with Shepherd of the Hills for potential new library site)
4. Comments & Questions from the Public-None.
5. Old Business
  - A. Discussion and Consideration: Library Building Project  
Hiland received a message from Swiss Center of North America that they'd like the library's furniture to be removed from their storage by July 31st. Lague will ask Village Administrator Daily if we could store the large desk in the Community Room at Village Hall for 3 months. In storage at SCNA are also 18 pallets filled with smaller boxes that are heavy, containing metal shelving components. Lague will ask Hoesly if there is room in her barn for the metal shelving; she will also contact area residents about using storage space in their barns/sheds. Walters said she could perhaps store more in her garage. Truttmann said she will find out if her family's trailer could be used for the move. Lague will ask Joe Cockroft if the Village staff has a pallet jack and if the staff could help move the large items. Truttmann will look into equipment rental if necessary for the move. Hiland will email Zurbuchen at SCNA to inform her that the Library Board is working on a plan to remove the stored items.
  - B. Discussion and Consideration: Phased Reopening of the Library: Director Lague. stated that Green County libraries are discussing fall plans for reopening, and weighing the continued restrictions for the safety of children under 12 and others who cannot be vaccinated.
  - C. Approval of Minutes, May 19, 2021: Newberry moved to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Truttmann. Motion carried.
6. New Business
  - A. Discussion and Consideration: 2022 Budget:  
Lague explained that we are receiving more funds than usual from Green County due to the very strange statistics from the year 2020, but that this is expected to

be a one-time increase. She walked the Board through her reasoning and recommendation that a 5-year average and mid-year projection be used to determine the amount that might be considered surplus this year, and how it would be reflected in the budget overall. Lague assured the Board that she would prepare a list of budget comments to help orient her replacement. The Board agreed that Lague should send the budget proposal to the Village Board.

- B. Discussion and Consideration: Library Director resignation letter  
Walters made a motion to accept the resignation letter from Library Director Holly Lague, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry. Motion carried.
- C. Discussion and Consideration: Library Board reorganization  
Walters stepped down from the Board at this time. Hiland made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Suzi Janowiak to serve as Board Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Truttmann. Motion carried.  
Hiland made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Beth Blahut to serve as Board Secretary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Truttmann. Motion carried.

7. Reports/Discussion/Consideration:

- A. Administration Team-nothing to report
- B. Communication Team-nothing to report
- C. Grants Team-nothing to report
- D. Partnership Team-nothing to report
- E. Village Board Liaison-nothing to report
- F. Friends of the Library-Book storage for the annual book sale is full. There are so many books that they will extend the usual one-day book sale to be a two-day event in 2021.
- G. President's Report-nothing to report

8. The Board will Convene into Closed Session:

Discussion & Consideration: Interim director candidate  
Janowiak moved to go into closed session, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

9. The Board will Convene into Open Session: Janowiak moved to go into open session, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Results of Closed Session:

The Board will be speaking with the interim library director candidate.

10. Adjournment: President Hiland adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Beth Blahut, Secretary