Friends of the Lester Public Library of Rome Feb. 7, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

8:45 a.m. – coffee/treats/social time

Call meeting to order - 9:00 a.m.

Roll call of officers – Present: Ron Fregien, President; Barb Herreid, Treasurer; Jeanne Osgood, Secretary. Excused: Judy Ontl, Vice President.

Kim Calteux/Fern Fregien made the motion to approve the minutes from the Dec. 3, 2019 meeting with correction to spelling of Kim's name. Approved.

Financial Report – Barb Herreid gave the end of the year for 2019 report. She reported that Ron Fregien and Katy Wittbrodt audited the records. The January report was also given. Kim C/Jeanne O moved to approve the report and place it on file as presented. Approved.

Librarian's Report – Renee reported the Rebecca's baby was born this morning. The new employee, Mary Beth Schmidt, started on Monday. Volunteers are needed to help while Rebecca is out on maternity leave. Programs are going well – the library has many offerings for adults this winter. The staff talked about starting a Recipe Club at the library that would meet monthly if there was enough interest. The new free shelves are up and the Amish collection will be put there to free up space on the other shelves. Renee has completed the state report for the DPI and SCLS. She is starting a new class that will end in March. The Summer Reading Program is planned. It will be held on Tuesdays from 3-4 beginning June 16th. The Teen program will be Thursdays from 3-5 beginning June 18th. There will also be some Saturday programs. The Grand Finale will be Sat. July 25th at Papa Bears.

Old Business – Parking Lot expansion is on hold until a new person is hired to fill the Dept. of Public Works Director's position. The town is interviewing next week.

New Business

- a. Nominating committee for officers for 2020-21 is not needed. Ron Fregien, Barb Herreid, and Jeanne Osgood will continue for another term. Ron will contact Judy to see if she will continue as V-President.
- b. Volunteers needed for summer programs. Renee needs volunteers for Tuesdays, Saturday projects, and the finale.
- c. Annual meeting set to elect officers for June 5th, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

Next Meeting - Friday, April 3, 2020 9:00 a.m. Free Coffee/Continental Breakfast – 8:45 – 9:00. Items for the agenda include Farmer's Market Programs, Camelot Frolic, Parking Lot update.

Barb H/Pam Hyland motioned to adjourn. Adjourned at 9:42 a.m. Chat with Renee followed.