

TOWN OF ROME
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
1157 ROME CENTER DRIVE
5:30 PM, Wednesday, December 10, 2014

BOARD ATTENDEES: Jeanne Osgood, Pam Hyland, Jerry Wiessinger ,Jill Reese, Bill Lindroth, Keith Johnson and Elaine Momsen.

LIBRARY STAFF: Lore Ponshock, Marilyn Bailey

VISITOR: Barb Long, future Board member, was introduced

Meeting called to order by President Jeanne Osgood at 5:35 p.m.

CERTIFY POSTINGS: Agenda faxed on December 3 to Rome Town Hall at 2:18 p.m., US Bank at 2:18 p.m., Nekoosa-Port Edwards Bank at 2:19 p.m., and Pritzl's Trading Post at 2:20 p.m.; emailed to The Daily Tribune at 2:20 p.m. and posted at the Library at 2:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lindroth motioned to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Reese seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

BILL APPROVAL: Lindroth motioned to approve the bills from November. Momsen seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORTS:

Foundation Report: No report.

Friends of the Library Report: Lindroth reported that the Friend's Meeting & Social will be held on Saturday, December 13 from 2:00-4:00 pm at the Rome Town Hall. Ron McCabe will provide the entertainment.

Library Director's Report: In addition to a written report, Ponshock reported that the upgrade of the phone system will take place at a later date. Ponshock will find out when Solarus will quit supporting the present system. The present fire alarm and security system will be upgraded. Further discussion on the upgrades will take place at the January meeting. Terri Andersen, Town Clerk, emailed Ponshock about per diem availability. The Board is not interested in per diem compensation.

Town of Rome Report: Wiessinger reported that the Town Budget for 2015 was approved. Job descriptions for the Town Clerk and Treasurer were approved.

Reese motioned to accept the reports and Lindroth seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

BUDGET 2014: Approximately \$2400 may be carried over to 2015. Wiessinger motioned to approve the budget through November. Lindroth seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

BUDGET 2015: Ponshock noted that insurance costs will be \$332 under budget. Motion, Lindroth. Second, Johnson. Approved unanimously.

1:1 INCOURAGE: Johnson updated the board on options available and it was decided to offer the communication program to all area residents. A date and place will be set for April 2015.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE UPDATE: Osgood reported that no new information about contributions has been received from Incourage. The future of NYAT will be discussed at the Friend's meeting.

FORMING A BUILDING COMMITTEE: On hold.

MEETING WITH SCLS RE: Expansion: Information was shared at the December 1 meeting at Key Savings Bank by Deb Haeffner, South Central Library System Design Consultant, regarding potential plans and current construction costs. Wiessinger shared information on financing options. A referendum would be needed for a 15-year bond. Lindroth will meet with Rob Sigler next week and write a letter to Charles and Joann Lester to keep them updated

NEXT MEETING: The next monthly meeting will be January 14, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. Items for agenda include Solarus phone update, fire protection system, building expansion, Incourage, CCC.

A plaque was presented to Elaine Momsen as a thank you for three years of service as a member of the Library Board.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. Lindroth, motion. Reese, second. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hyland, Secretary