

TOWN OF ROME  
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
1157 ROME CENTER DRIVE  
5:15 PM, Wednesday, May 13, 2015

BOARD ATTENDEES: Jeanne Osgood, Pam Hyland, Jerry Wiessinger, Bill Lindroth, and Barb Long. Jill Reese and Keith Johnson were excused.

FOUNDATION MEMBERS: Bobbie Foster, Mary Ann Benkowski LIBRARY STAFF:  
Lore Ponshock

Meeting called to order by President Jeanne Osgood at 5:15 p.m.

CERTIFY POSTINGS: Agenda faxed on May 6 to Rome Town Hall at 2:09 p.m., US Bank at 2:10 p.m., Nekoosa-Port Edwards Bank at 2:11 p.m., and Pritzl's Trading Post at 2:12 p.m.; and posted at the Library at 2:14 p.m. and on the Library Webpage at 2:16 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motioned to approve the minutes from the April meeting made by Lindroth/Wiessinger. Motion approved unanimously.

BILL APPROVAL: Wiessinger/Long motioned to approve the bills from April and May 8. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Information received on ACEC Round-up program was passed onto Friends group. Clean Green Action map will be posted.

REPORTS:

Foundation Report: Foster reported that the next meeting will be in June, so if anything is needed please let them know.

Friends of the Library Report: Lindroth reported NYAT is rolling along with a few more volunteers needed, The Friends meeting will be held this Friday, May 15th.

Town of Rome Report: Wiessinger reported the new sign is up and let Terri Anderson know if non-profit groups want to advertise. Sherwood and Arrowhead damn gates will be worked on in July. The Town agreed to move the Chester School building to the Nekoosa Schools Forest to be used as a learning shelter. Funds came from Dyracuse Mound funds. Town agreed to a new tractor, and plow truck. The Town is considering taking over ownership of three county parks in Rome. "Business After Hours" will be at the gazebo on August 18. This is an invitation only event to promote Rome. Public works employees will go to 4 10-hr work days for the summer. Cedar railings will be replaced at the gazebo.

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Library Director's Report: In addition to a written report, Ponshock reported that there is no ACEC bill because we are running on credits. Fire extinguishers were checked at the annual clinic and the library has passed fire inspection. Mileage log was shared.

Lindroth/Long motioned to accept the reports. Approval was unanimous.

BUDGET 2015: Wiessinger/Lindroth motioned to approve the budget. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion made to move Item #10 on agenda to #9. Wiessinger/Lindroth. Approval unanimous.

FUTURE LINKcat PARTICIPATION: Motion in favor of December startup of LINKcat. Lindroth/Wiessinger Motion approved unanimously.

STAFF VACANCY: Ponshock will begin advertising for library assistant vacancy.

ENERGY FAIR REPORT: Fair was well attended and beneficial, good exposure for the library.

1:1 INCOURAGE: May 27 date set at the Town Hall from 5:30 to 7:30. Posters and info will be emailed for distribution.

LESTER CONTACT RESULTS: Letter sent by Lindroth and Jay Grode. No reply at this time. Wiessinger will contact Charles Lester personally.

INCOURAGE LETTER INPUT: No action.

BUILDING EXPANSION: Library Director will work with the board to find members interested in being on the Steering Committee.

NEXT MEETING: The next monthly meeting will be Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 5:15 p.m. Items for agenda include: Steering committee, Incourage letter, Update on LINKcat. Staff search

ADJOURNMENT: The motion to adjourn at 6:23 p.m. by Long/Lindroth. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hyland Substitute Secretary

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