

Library Committee Meeting
April 23, 2018

PRESENT: Cindy Nelson, Chair; Anne Van de Ven, Grace Held, Diane Kirkland; Mary Sawyer, Librarian

EXCUSED: Windsor McCutcheon

GUESTS: Lane Sauve, Ephraim Business Council; Maggie Peterman

Meeting was called to order about 3:45 p.m. by Cindy Nelson. **Motion to approve previous minutes** by Cindy Nelson, seconded Held, all ayes.

Visitors' Comments – Lane Sauve said she has been with the EBC since January and is interested in meeting all the people here.

Treasurer's Report – McCutcheon is absent today but reported there were no checks written since we last met.

Librarian's Report

Mary Sawyer said we will have to pay a \$250 deposit fee to the Village this year for reserving the Hall for any events. It's good for a year's worth; we will get it back if no damage, extra cleaning ensues from our rental(s). The main issue has been people leaving garbage and not cleaning well, so even the non-profits pay up front now.

Mary checked into a desk for the computer – matches what we have, recommended by the Library system, \$875.76. The old one, which doesn't quite fit the keyboard, will be moved to another location in the Library. Grace Held moved that we order the desk for the computer in the Library at \$875.76, using money from the Cherry Fund. Seconded by Anne Van de Ven, all ayes. The other two red chairs for outside will be ordered as soon as the shop reopens. Those will be paid for from the Jane Olson fund.

Mary noted we need boxes, small ones to haul books from the basement, also need volunteers before Fyr Bal to sort and box them for the sale. Held said she will help.

Mary wants to reframe a few photos showing history of the Library—one of Dr. David Stevens and one with Verra Sauer and little kids in the basement library. After the new desk is installed, we'll look at them.

Old Business

Interior Bathroom – Done as well as it can be. Had to keep the fridge and microwave in there, as there's nowhere else to put them. The 3D Printer – our visit to Sevastopol was put on hold due to weather; Mary will check the schedule to see when we can go again.

New Business

Fyr Bal – June 16, volunteer sheet is out on the desk. The usual Friday (June 15) tenting at 1 or 2 pm. Grace and Cindy will do the bake sale again, everything \$1. It will be 8 a.m. with the book sale starting at 8:30 a.m. Perhaps ask Randy Isely to do the coffee from Coffee Lab? He's worked with other libraries. Need to emphasize that "All proceeds will support the Ephraim Library." Windsor will need to get a cash box for them as well as book sale boxes. Maggie Peterman was a cashier and will sign up again.

Commented [Kathy K1]:

The road will be closed again for Fyr Bal. Lane Sauve said there will be busses but no trolley this year—wasn't available. Talk to Windsor about a children's story time during Fyr Bal, inside during the book sale or outside...work with Lane to coordinate other kids' things. Move the porta-potties to the alley this year?? There will be a Fur Bal Pet Parade. We will finalize plans at our May meeting.

20-Year Plan – Anne Van de Ven worked up an extensive narrative on her thoughts; Mary Sawyer will email it to each of us for us to read. One of the things we need to do for the future of the Library is the need to archive some of the history of our Library so it's not lost, such as when the Library addition was built, it was the kids who moved the books and Wilson's gave them each an ice cream cone. Our Library seems secure even with the Egg Harbor Library being built, Mary said. It was thought that our Library is so important due to the type of people who live here and the need for mental stimulation.

There are 5 statements in the Comprehensive Plan - we'll take the first two at the next meeting – the Objective and #1 (about getting Door County books). Anne feels the objective ought to be restated and gave an example in her narrative. One thing that needs to be mentioned is the fairly new collaboration with the school and their Accelerated English class – 19 kids participated. Cindy mentioned the "I Love the Door County Library" sticker and would like to see it say "Ephraim" Library – Mary will check into the cost, as that was done through Morgan Mann in Sturgeon Bay. She thinks they're about \$5 a sheet (20 or so); get a price on 500.

Future Discussions

Maggie Peterman noted that our Library will have its 60th anniversary in just 3 years; we should plan for a celebration, invite a well-known author. Kirkland mentioned David Sedaris, perhaps Michael Perry. Could get funding from Wisconsin Humanities Council or a benefactor. Find out the opening date of the new library, probably 1961. Next meeting will be May 21 at 3:30 p.m. Adjourned at 5 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Kirkland, Secretary