

MYERS MEMORIAL LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

September 19, 2023

Present: Jason Bussman, Janelle Grey, Iza Nowak, Sue Richards, Roxy Gray, Mel Feather, Rhonda Haick, Bob Piede, Paul Bell.

Absent: Jim Hale and Toni Stone.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by Mel Feather, Board President.

Secretary Report:

Minutes from the August 2023 meeting were reviewed by trustees and approved as read.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Paul Bell and seconded by Sue Richards.

Correspondence: Larry Marvell presented a written resignation from his trustee position.

The Board accepted the resignation.

Janelle Grey agreed to join as a full-fledged board member. Jason Bussman motioned for

“Janelle Grey to be elected to the Myers Memorial Board of Trustees to replace the

remainder of Larry Marvell’s term immediately effective through January 21, 2025.”

Motion seconded by Roxy Gray and carried.

Treasurer’s Report: (Please see attached.)

Overall investments have increased by 4.07% since 12-21-22.

A motion to pay customary bills was made by Janelle Grey and seconded by Sue Richards.

Carried.

Director’s Report: (See attached.)

Summer recreation was a great success despite a lower programs’ participation.

However, Iza said we are looking forward to next year's programming.

Rachel Roushey is pregnant and is currently taking it month by month until she leaves. She is uncertain of her return after the baby's birth. Consequently, we need to search for a new assistant beginning in January 2024 for 15-20 hours per week. If possible, it would be ideal to find a candidate who could begin training in November, with flexible hours, at a rate of \$15 hourly. In addition, every 2nd Saturday and some extra hours for special events may be needed.

Iza will post this vacancy in the Frewsburg Front Porch newsletter.

The annual dinner conference meeting will be held at Holiday Valley on October 11, 2023. Funding for our library as a proposal in the Town of Carroll budget could be a possibility. System Director, Jan Dekoff has agreed to attend our November 2023 meeting to explain how such a proposal might be presented.

The upstairs bathroom door gets stick easily. Paul will check into it.

In regard to the ornaments with a photo of the library, Iza has pursued different companies and designs. There is one company which provides wooden etched ornaments. The board had the opportunity to view photos of the proposed design and it was agreed they appear well done. The initial investment will be \$470 which are \$8.60 each.

The board consensus is to place and order and begin sales once they have arrived.

Building/Grounds:

Tri-County bid for chimney repair is \$6,000. This seems too high! Other bids will have to be explored.

The air-conditioning units are working well since the calcium/mineral tablets have been used every 3 months.

We have not received a copy of the inspection for the elevator. Iza is uncertain if we have received it.

A question on the JMI bill needs to be investigated.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Piede proposed installing 12 volt LED flood lights to provide better lighting to flag pole and banners.

Banners will be removed after Veteran's Day. Will revisit this in the spring.

Jason Bussman, his wife and brother have begun a tent rental business. They would like to buy our large tent. Paul Bell motioned to purchase the 30' by 30' tent for \$1,000. They agree to put it up, free of charge for library events for the longevity of the tent." If locals rent, they will make a donation to the library.

Sue Richards seconded. Carried with one recusal from Jason Bussman.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 6:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxy Gray, Board Secretary