

Mountain Top Library

Regular Meeting

January 22, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5pm. Present were Susan Kleinfelder, Bob Hersey, Bev Feml, Ellen Manfredi, Stephanie Streich, Leslie Merlin, Cathy Wade and Jaki Elmo-Emel, director. Minutes of previous meeting approved on a motion made by Bob, 2nd by Stephanie and passed.

Treasurer's Report: full report is attached. We are still running at a deficit. Discussion on ways to add to revenue. There was a need to change signers on library bank accounts, remove obsolete signers and add Jaki to necessary accounts. Attached is the full motion with each account and signers noted. On a motion made by Bev Feml, 2nd by Leslie Merlin and passed with Cathy Wade abstaining the signatures will be changed appropriately.

Director's Report: full report is attached. A good slate of programs is being offered for the winter months and attendance is good. Our participation in the Holiday Stroll and the Songbirds Concert were both a great success. Grant requests have been submitted to BOGC, Stewarts and Digital Navigator program. There is a lengthy list of programs in the works for spring and summer. Shane Valcich donated a large Rip Van Winkle print for hanging and the library thanks him. Suggestion that we host an art show involving the three parks and the Platte Clove Community in the summer.

Building Committee Report: Bob adjusted the water flow in ladies room so the hot water on demand would kick on. It is Board consensus to accept Will Garcias proposal for plowing, shoveling and salting for this year. The library purchases the ice melt.

Friends Report: Book Sales for fiscal YTD were \$1922 onsite, \$2696 EBay for a total of \$4618. Last year was a bit more than \$1500 so a nice increase. Current EBay balance is \$1025.

Old Business: Motion was made by Cathy Wade, 2nd by Stephanie Streich and passed that the Board agrees to enter into a contract with NYS to accept the DRI funding of \$265,000. This will result in two new sets of front doors, a new larger generator and portico for the main entrance.

New Business: Board agrees to a Closed Network for library staff. This will not incur any cost. Board also agreed to accept a donated desk for our Accessibility Corner. Online donor list not feasible and not done by other libraries. Staffing strategies discussed to retain good employees. On a motion made by Bev, 2nd by Cathy the salaries of Nick and Allie will be raised by \$1 per hour effective next pay period starting January 22.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 on a motion made by Bob, 2nd by Cathy and passed.

Next meeting will be Tuesday Feb 20, 2024 at 5pm

Respectfully Submitted, Ellen Manfredi , Secretary

