

Trustees meeting on August 27,2019

Present were Ginette, Maureen, Sue, Fran, Mik, Christine and guest Mike Moseley

Reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting which were accepted with the following corrections regarding the requests for the towns:

Village 3,300 same as 2019

Morgan 1,200 –unchanged

Charleston 1,100

Holland increase from 600 to 700

### **Librarian's report**

Summer reading program had 14 children in 3 sessions. We need to brainstorm about how to increase the participation.

Groups using the space were one adult education group.

Visits are up as are books taken out.

We were given a gift of lovely door stops by Ginette's sister Sylvie and Fran will thank her.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

### **Events-**

Christmas Craft Fair-

Northland Journal has requested an 8 ft table at sell books.

Other responses are slow to come in. Sharon suggested that we do postcards about the event and maybe put the library hours on the back. She;d be glad to take some to her events.

**Garden-** Mik reports that it is going well and he is trying to get the town to remove the pile of weeds.

### **Bottles**

Need to be picked up every 3-4 days. In July we took in \$303! September is Fran and October Moseley's. WD 40 was put in the lock and it has helped.

**Workshop with Christine Graham-** 6 others have been invited. It was decided to keep it to the Dailey as opposed to inviting members of the Historical Society or the Old Stone House to attend. Maureen will send out reminders. No snacks.

**Solar Project.** Conversation about the fact that Mikao is charging us more than we expected in terms of his hourly rate. Decided to pay what he has asked for. The cost will be \$25,327 and we are \$5,400 short of that amount. They will require 10% down, 50% when the work begins and 50% within 30 days. A motion was made by Ginette to take what we need from the endowment and begin fund raising from a point of completion. Take out enough for the panels, security cameras, insulating the old entry and

installing a renai heater-including the electrical work to complete it, and a screen for movie night and the donor mural. They we will begin fund raising from a point of completion. We decided that it would be difficult to both search for “sustaining donors” and special project donors at the same time. A motion was made by Ginette to take stocks with a value of \$20,000 from the CETERA account at Passumpsic Bank and place it in the Capital Campaign Fund. If we are successful with grants we will replace the money as it comes in. The motion was unanimously approved.

Maureen will order the curb stops to protect the front of the building.

There have been problems with power failures in the building. It appears that the circuit with the computers, internet and outside plug blows a breaker. Rusty has been called to see about separating the critical functions onto a line of their own.

Bill Sanville has been contacted about the failing paint which he attributes to new paint on old wood. It was pointed out to him that he was at that moment repainting an entire building and that the paint would not fail in a year! Dan Dagesse has also been in touch with him.

The lift- there was an incident when which a man and 2 children- on in a stroller were stuck in the lift. There were reportedly hostile words from the company to the effect that no one who isn't handicapped should be in it. We need to get specific instructions from the company as well as clear instructions on what to do if there is a problem.

Ginette has arranged for Mimi and the Podd Brothers to give a benefit concert at Knowles Barn in August of 2020. It will be combined with an art show and sale and drinks and appetizers. This will preced their concert at the Waterfront.

Donor mural- Ginette has a plan which involves using the spines of discarded books of various sizes to indicate the level of donation. Thinking to use the quote- the “Community is the heart of the library”, She is going to bring in one to show us how it will look.

Next meeting is 9/26 at 3 pm adjourned at 8:26. Christine Moseley Recording Secretary