

May 10, 2021

Eden Library Board of Trustees

Library Board President Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. In attendance were Jim Agle, Linda Meyer, Bettyann Neifer, Jon Wilcox, Library Director Donna-Jo Webster and Town Board liaison Sue Wilhelm. This meeting was held in person with proper social distancing.

The minutes of the April 12, 2021 meeting were read. A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Bettyann to accept the minutes. The motion was passed.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Donna-Jo reported that all categories for April showed slight decreases from the March statistics.

Quarantining of library materials will end on May 17 and will provide a quicker turn around time for patrons.

#### BILLS:

The following bills were presented for payment:

\$53.46—Erie County Water Authority

\$69.30—DFT Security

Jim made a motion approving payment of these bills; it was seconded by Bettyann and passed.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bettyann reported disbursements for the month and account balances. She also noted that the Library Foundation's 990N form would be filed by the May 17 deadline.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- The library will host a chicken barbecue by Weidner's on Wednesday, June 16 from noon to 6 p.m. or until sold out. We will run an ad in the Pennysaver and also promote this on the Facebook page.
- There was a brief report about the ACT meeting. It was noted that NYS is proposing that trustees have 2 hours of training annually. This has yet to be implemented.
- The Book Sale was brought up again. Pat spoke with the Boston Library and they had people make appointments for a 30-minute time slot. We will check on some others. This was tabled again until we have a better idea of how to safely allow people to attend.
- Jim has done an application of milorganite around the building. Hopefully this will keep the deer from eating the hostas.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The air conditioners have been installed and the Town has received an invoice from MJ Mechanical. Once they invoice us we will repay the Town from the Library Construction Grant and the funds we had received from Assemblyman DiPietro several years ago. In working on the AC project workers from MJ Mechanical noticed that one of the boilers was leaking. They have given us an estimate on the cost to replace this. The BECPL has received funds from NYS that can be allocated for repairs, furnishings, etc. and we would be eligible to apply for funding to replace the boiler through this local initiative. It could cover up to 75% of the cost. Sue Wilhelm will check with the Town to see what the bid process would be in this case as we already have one estimate. Donna-Jo will prepare the application, which is due June 18, 2021.
- There was discussion concerning resuming in person programming. The Yarn Club has been meeting once a month in the main room and that has worked out well. Now that materials will not have to be quarantined, other programs could take place with distancing. There has been some interest in resuming Book Club. Donna-Jo noted that at most other libraries programming is still primarily on-line. She is thinking of offering a "Book a Librarian" service where she would work one-on-one with a patron on technology issues, etc. such as downloading e-books or audio books. They would need to make an appointment for this.

The next meeting will be held on June 14 starting at 5:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Meyer, secretary