

November 8, 2021  
Eden Library Board of Trustees

Library Board President Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. In attendance were Linda Meyer, Bettyann Neifer, Jon Wilcox, Town Board liaison Sue Wilhelm and Library Director Donna-Jo Webster. This meeting was held in person with proper social distancing.

The minutes of the October 11, 2021 meeting were read. A motion was made by Bettyann and seconded by Jon to accept the minutes. The motion was passed.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Donna-Jo reported on statistics for the month. Circulation is basically the same as October, but patron count was down. We are still doing better than 15 other locations. There was a pretty good turnout for the Pumpkin Patch program and the two author talks. Covid seems to still be having an impact on attendance at programming. Donna-Jo mentioned that she heard positive comments from patrons about the book sale.

#### BILLS:

The following bills were presented for payment:

- \$20.97—Gui's
- \$130.00—Eden Pennysaver
- \$69.30—DFT Security
- \$53.46—Erie County Water (July to October)

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

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bettyann reported that the clearance book sale was disappointing. Only 118 people came during the 3 days.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- The light timer has been replaced.
- The Town of Eden has paid MJ Mechanical in full for the new boiler. We have received our funds from Central for this project (75% of total cost) and will turn this over to the Town.
- There were, however, heating issues during the last week of October. Town maintenance was notified and they brought in MJ Mechanical. The problem was covered by warranty and was repaired.
- Donna-Jo noted that the covers on 3 light panels in the main reading room are hanging down. These are too high to reach with a ladder. The Town will be notified.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Donna-Jo relayed that the Town of Tonawanda Library has a turtle that they are looking to re-home. It comes with all the equipment. She is interested in bringing it into our library and assured the board that she would assume responsibility for it. The board's only concern was the size of the aquarium and where it would go. Donna-Jo will continue to investigate this possibility.
- A program on cooking with herbs is tentatively scheduled for Dec. 14. Donna-Jo has been in touch with Explore and More concerning their graham cracker house program. They would only be able to accommodate 15 children this year. She has not had a return call from them concerning this. The dulcimer group will not perform at the library this year.
- With Christmas falling on Saturday, the library will be closed on December 24, 25, and 26. For New Year's the same schedule will be followed with the building closed on December 31, January 1 and 2.
- The next board meeting will be held on December 13 at 5:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Meyer, secretary