Elma Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting March 12, 2024

Attendance: Tom Carloni, Nathan Clinard, Eileen Holden, Bridgett Jacyna, Tom Pirrung, Paul Schwiegerling, and Sue Sudlik. Holly Neu was excused.

Meeting opened at 6:30 P.M.

Minutes of the February 2024 meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.

Librarian's Report: Circulation numbers for February were down slightly from the previous year but visitor numbers are up significantly. This may be due to demand for eclipse glasses. Programs for younger patrons remain very popular, especially Toddler Time and craft programs. Mr. No's balloon animals program was well attended. The African Drum Workshop and Seed Library were popular with adult patrons. The Iroquois PTO used the Community Room for a meeting. Tom attended a Manager/Director meeting and two webinars.

Treasurer's Report: Paul's report showed a fairly standard month of expenses and income.

ACTS: Tom P., Tom C., Nathan, and Eileen attended the ACT meeting on March 9. The main session covered the differences between, trustees, librarians, and friends. Break-out sessions included dealing with problem patrons and tours of both technical services and the special collections room. Everyone who attended thought it was worthwhile.

Friends: The next meeting is scheduled for April 10. A new raffle has started.

Buildings and Grounds: A new belt was installed recently. We were told by Commercial Refrigeration that the company that designed the wall heater has dissolved, which may hamper replacement attempts. Spring cleanup will be done by Seasonal at a date to be determined. The 4-H group will be doing some outside decorations. The Town has made plans to have the driveway sealed and striped sometime this summer.

Publicity: Recent coverage in the Advertiser has been very good and has included pictures.

Old Business: South Buffalo Wheelhouse will be doing a bicycle tune-up program on May 20. The Perennial Exchange will be May 11. The Birding Program is set for April 13.

New Business: The Memorial Day parade will be May 27 and we will participate as usual. The Board reviewed the Annual Report to the Community and approved it 6-0. Copies of the By-Laws and Three Year Plan were distributed and will be discussed at future meetings.

All minutes and reports submitted were approved 6-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nathan Clinard, Secretary