Elma Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting September 12, 2023

Attendance: Tom Carloni, Nathan Clinard, Eileen Holden, Bridgett Jacyna, Holly Neu, Tom Pirrung, Paul Schwiegerling, and Sue Sudlik. Sharon Kelly from BECPL was present as a guest.

Meeting opened at 6:34 P.M.

Minutes of the July 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.

Librarian's Report: Visitor and circulation numbers continue to increase over last year and are in line with other suburban branches. The Summer Reading programs were a great success with patrons of all ages participating. The Erie County Climate Ambassadors used the Community Room on July 10. Tom had a Managers Meeting at Central. Jessica attended several om-line training seminars.

Treasurer's Report: No major changes, just standard expenses for the month.

ACT: No report

Friends: The next meeting is scheduled for October 11. The Book Sale is scheduled for October 26-28. The outreach events at the Concerts in the Park were very successful.

Buildings and Grounds: The Town wants to pursue a full replacement of the HVAC system. Unfortunately, the application date for construction grants has passed. However, a different grant may be available through NYSEG. Tom and Larry did a mid-summer cleanup.

Publicity: The Elma Review and East Aurora Advertiser are merging. We are hopeful that this will simplify the library's ability to get regular coverage.

Old Business: The Summer Reading Program was a huge hit, especially with younger patrons. Over 160 kids took part and they seemed very motivated and turned in many more reading logs than last year.

New Business: The League of Women Voters has expressed an interest in having a display during the election season. The University Express semester will begin on October 4. 12 programs have been scheduled. Jessica wants to purchase Magnet Tiles for the Children's Room. The Board had no objection. The County is looking into purchasing AED systems for the library branches. Birding programs will be scheduled for early spring.

All minutes and reports submitted were approved 7-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for October 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nathan Clinard, Secretary