

Elma Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

September 8, 2020

Present: Tom Carloni, Sue Sudlik, Tom Pirrung, Eileen Holden, Nate Clinard, Terry Booth, Ellen McGreevy

Minutes: The minutes from the July meeting were reviewed.

Librarian's Report: Tom reported that we have been averaging between 550-600 patrons per week. He is optimistic that with the library moving to a six day schedule that number will improve. The new hours were discussed. Mon. and Wed. 12 – 8; Tues., Thurs., Fri. 10 – 6 and Sat. 10-4. Ellen asked to see the numbers of visitors, circulation and computer users for Saturdays in the coming month. Kate attended a couple of good webinars.

Treasurer's Report: Not much to report. The water main break was paid for by the town.

SUB COMMITTEES

ACT: Nothing new

Friends: Lisa has been helping the community to stay connected.

Building and Grounds: The water main break has been fixed. Sue has been spraying weed killer, (a salt and vinegar mixture) in the rock garden. She and Tom have weeded the entire garden but more work needs to be done. There are some shrubs that need to be removed and boulders purchased and placed. Ellen made a motion for the board to authorize landscape work to be done up to \$2000. Sue seconded and it was passed 6-1.

Publicity: The Bee needs to be reminded to change our library blurb as it reads, curbside only pickup.

OLD BUSINESS

Sign Revamp: The town is in the process of revamping their sign code to allow digital signage. Once that is done, we will need to pursue 3 quotes for the purchase of a digital sign.

NEW BUSINESS

Virtual Programming: Tom shared that a group called Wonder Makers, who are professional actors, are offering custom interactive Zoom sessions. Tom will contact them to set dates and time to do one session in the fall and one in the spring. They are charging \$100 per session if two are booked.

Hallway Book Sale: Tom shared that people have been looking for books to purchase. Eileen suggested a book sale outdoors with hands free cash exchange. Tom thought he could possibly put some books on a rolling cart and put it outside the library doors for people to peruse. Tom is going to run these ideas by the staff.

Eileen made a motion to accept all reports and adjourn. This was seconded by Nate and passed 6-1.

The next meeting will be October 13th at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Terry Booth