## Newstead Public Library Board of Trustees September 16, 2015

**Board Members Present:** Sue Brown, Cheryl Esposito, Sue Sweitzer, Bob Teidt **At Large:** Library Director Kristine Sutton, Councilmen John Jendrowski and Don York

Call to Order: 7:09 pm

## **Library Activities & Community Events**

**Adult Activities:** Mahjong, Tuesday Morning Book Club, Ladies Book Club, Genealogy Group, Lunch & Learn, Computer Basics and Computer 1:1

Children's Events: Preschool Story Time begins in October. LEGO monthly group returns in September. Kids Kind Club is a new program which will begin in September. Animal Adventures: Animals in Your Backyard presentation will be in late September. Summer Reading Statistics: 380 children and 27 teens registered for the Summer Reading Program; 33 teams participated in Battle of the Books with 3 being from our library; 92 independent child readers with a total of 82,785 minutes read; 25 teens read 122 books; Read Down Your Fines totaled \$214

## • Library Business

- Basic Human Needs Subcommittee (of Akron-Newstead Community Coalition) meetings 8/24 and 9/28. Erie County Department of Social Services is moving toward having Newstead Library as a satellite office for patrons to obtain information and enroll in programs. Interns from the University of Buffalo will be trained on the computer program that supports this project. Intend to be on site once a week. A publicity campaign will start late October-early November. A memo of Understanding will be in place between the library and DSS interns.
- Bricks/pavers/ sidewalk repair project will be going to bid. Councilman Jendrowski reviewed bid specifications and options. He will inquire as to the possibility of village & town Department of Public Works staff assisting in the project.
- New landscaping was performed in the rear of the library.
- \$11,000 grant from senator Ranzenhofer to be used to update technology and improve the library.
- Usage Report for August: Circulation +1.2%, Patron Door Count -1.3%, Computer Sessions +5.5%, WiFi +12.5%

Meeting Adjourned: 8:01 pm

Approved