

Friends of the Ogdensburg Public Library
May 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Present: Cindy, Penny, Lin, Tom and Kathy, Cheryl, Diane, Ann, Ed, Laura, Karen W.

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 PM.

Penny announced that City Council will try to put Sarah Purdy on Administrative leave at the meeting tomorrow afternoon .

Minutes – Cheryl moved and Diane seconded acceptance of the April, 2020 minutes. Motion carried.

President's Report – Cindy thanked all for their continued work on behalf of the library.

Treasurer's Report – Checking account balance - \$11,090.06. Savings balance - \$19,874.06. Since the last meeting we have dispersed \$727.72 and brought in \$758.73. Updating of signatures for checking account is done. Penny is now a second recognized signatory. Cheryl moved and Kathy seconded a motion to receive the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Membership Report - There have been two renewals for a total of \$250 and a business donation of \$500 from H. Richardson & Sons. Bill Flynn's \$150 donation was for the Junior Friend scholarships. All agreed to try to interest young people in this Friend membership by going directly to Scout troops, Dorian's teen summer reading program, Key Club, Builders Club, confirmation classes to offer the junior memberships. Cindy, Kathy and Karen will meet to come up with volunteer opportunities and benefits for youth (to include recognition of volunteer hours given). The object of junior Friend memberships is to cultivate volunteer attitudes in young people. If we have not had any interest in this by September we need to talk with Bill Flynn and ask what he would like to do.

Old Business:

Little Library Doors – Tom has all materials and will begin work on them soon.

Donation button on the website – no action yet.

Virtual Book Sale – For Friends only on June 30. Orders must be in by June 20. Ordering can be via email or payment at pick-up. Checks or exact cash only. We will mail information and order forms to Friends for whom we have no email. Phone follow-ups possible as well. Laura and Tom will join forces to create the order/information form. Bags that have been prepaid will have order slips stapled to them. Unpaid orders will be marked clearly. All present volunteered to help fill bags and deliver them to the door for buyers.

Seasonal Donations – Cindy is still working on this.

Quilt/Flower Show, Furniture Sale, City Council Presentations, and Spring clean-up all on hold.

No progress on Foundatoin status.

Fishing Poles and Equipment all set – NO Green Belt Bass Bash (maybe next year).

Indoor Mini-Golf - on hold.

Ed was welcomed as our new newsletter editor. Information for upcoming newsletter requested. Cindy would like to see the Facebook page updated and more active.

NHLA Conference – Tom is working on grants to pay his way to attend.

New Business:

Funding requests – Library needs a new mower as the old one died and also because we may have to mow all of the park in the future depending on City ability to continue or not. Cost could be between \$2,000 and \$3,000. Penny will get 3 quotes and proceed from there. She will also ask Shane at DPW if the City could order a new mower for us at any discount. She will also check to see if any Library donors are in a business that could sell us a mower.

Next meeting is June 10 at 3:00 PM. Cindy will call Tom Robarge to inform him of the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lin Griffin, Secretary