

Franklin Grove Public Library

Regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Call to order at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance- Trustees: Patti Forrester, Ruth Newcomer, Susie Murphy, Leigh Delhotal, Julie Grendahl, Marilyn Spangler,

Director – Amy Runkle

Absent: Barb Simpson

Public comments – Charcuter Bee Grazing Co. provided grazing cups for partaking to trustees.

A. Approval of Minutes –Motion presented by Ruth Newcomer 2nd by Leigh Delhotal to accept as presented. Motion approved.

B. Treasurer’s Report – File for audit. Motion presented by Julie Grendahl, 2nd by Leigh Delhotal. Motion approved with a Roll Call vote Yes = 6, No=0

C. Ratify Bills and payments for March. Motion presented by Susie Murphy, 2nd by Julie Grendahl. Motion approved by a Roll Call vote Yes=6 No=0

Directors Report: March was a very active month for the library with many options for patrons, such as; Master Gardners, K9 Reading buddies, Lunch and a Movie, Juvenile book club, Crochet class, Red Cross Blood Drive, Take and Make Craft, Library Leprechan, Family Movie night, Easter Egg Hunt, Easter coloring contest, Sewing Class, Book swap, Jelly Bean Guessing Game. The continuance of a very well planned and attended community asset with all of these library opportunities.

5 new patrons added to the library the month of March.

Unfinished business

A. History room – update in June.

B. Library of Things – Dana has not been in contact with library.

C. Sidewalk repairs – update in June – Director getting bids. Information acquired about the Sidewalk program through village. Director also looking into grant programs.

New Business

A. Mowing bids – Director presented both bids, Ruth Newcomer presented motion and Julie Grendahl 2nd to approve Jack’s Lawn Care as presented by bid dated 3/27/24 with amendment to include cleaning off of sidewalks and parking lots from glass clippings and debris. Roll call vote Yes = 6 No=0.

B. Policy changes: Presented for voting at June meeting will be some possible policy changes.

C. Freedom of Information Act Officer – Susie is the current FOIA and will take yearly training.

D. 2024 / 2025 Proposed Budget presented from Finance committee to trustees. Roll call vote Yes = 6 No = 0.

E. Trustee Barb Simpson has decided to step down as trustee as of April 1, 2024.

Miscellaneous items:

A. Director is continuing work on Lil Free Book Library at Flat Iron Park.

B. Chaplin Creek as a possible garden area for the library for pumpkin growing. Director has been provided information and will contact for an update.

Executive Session

Executive Session pursuant to 5Lc120-2

Meeting adjourned 7:03 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.

Finance Committee – Ruth Newcomer, Julie Grendahl

Personnel Committee – Barb Simpson, Leigh Delhotal (Staff Policy Manual)

Policy Committee – Barb Simpson, Leigh Delhotal, Julie Grendahl

Building & Maintenance – Marilyn Spangler, Susie Murphy, Ruth Newcomer

Ad Hoc Committee- Susie Murphy, Marilyn Spangler (Long range library plan).