

Trustee Meeting

Marion Public Library
Board of Trustees

April 16th, 2024
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Priscilla Flack. Those in attendance were Priscilla Flack, Kerry Sargent, Julie Stryker, Melanie Rivera, Joanna Meyer, Tracy Whitney, Margie Taber (Marion Town Board liaison) and Ron Kirsop (OWWL Library System Director).

The March meeting minutes were read, motion to accept made by Joanna Meyer and seconded by Melanie Rivera and the motion carried.

The operating statement showed a balance of \$ 151,497.32 as of March 31st, 2024. Motion to pay the library bills in the amount of \$ 6,837.54 was made by Kerry Sargent., seconded by Priscilla Flack and the motion carried.

Resolutions

- Computer inventory planning-resolution to use reserve funds to purchase two new staff computers. Approved and signed but the board.
- Resolution 2023-24 Assembly Aid grant-resolution to add to the budget under the line item of furniture. Approved and signed but the board.
- Resolution 2024 FFRPL grant -resolution to add to the budget under the line item of circulation. Approved and signed but the board.

Municipal Library Tax Fundings-Ron Kirsop

- Ron presented on different options future funding options for our library. Three options were presented in response to a community member's dissatisfaction with overlapping taxes. The board will review the options and decide our course of action at a future meeting.

Manager's Report

- Tracy attended an Adult Services Roundtable Summer Reading Share
- Summer Reading theme is Adventure Begins at your Library. Several events have already been scheduled including Wildlife Rockstars, Wonder Makers and a hot air balloon visit.
- The income tax prep that was provided by Finger Lakes Community Action was very popular and we plan to partner with them again next year.
- Yoga is continuing for another six weeks starting April 24th.
- The story walk is up in the town park.
- Twenty-five copies of "Finding Kindness" By Deborah Underwood were distributed. There was also a kindness rock activity for kids to decorate rocks and hide them around our community.
- We distributed almost 600 pairs of eclipse glasses. We had 16 visitors for our special Eclipse Storytime which included snacks and a craft to prepare for solar eclipse.
- The library will have a booth at the Marion AG Day celebration on May 17th.

Old Business

- John Cornell is contacting suppliers and firming up pricing for the A/C unit replacement.

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New Business

- Our current cleaner has expressed that she does not want to be paid as a library employee. She would prefer to be paid as a contractor. The cost of the contract would be nearly double the current budgeted amount. The options discussed were to post the position and hire someone new or move funds to accommodate the increase and contract with our current cleaner at a higher rate. The rate proposed is in line with the current market.

Next Meeting The next meeting will be May 21st, 2024

Meeting was adjourned by Priscilla Flack at 8:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kerry Sargent