

**New Baden Library Board Minutes**  
**New Baden, IL 62362**  
**April 28, 2024**

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Jo.

Member's present were: Jo Street, Travis Samuel, Virian Bowler, Judy Baehr, Diane Henschler, and Vicki, the Librarian. Absent were Greg Stewart and Jennifer Henders.

**Public Comments None**

**Board Meeting Minutes:**

March meeting minutes were reviewed. Virian mentioned for March minutes to be approved. July second. Minutes were approved.

**Librarian Director Updates:**

-Vicki distributed the March 2024 Librarian report to board members and the report was reviewed.

-The library numbers are good, but we are watching the DVD numbers.

-Escarp of March activities:

-The puzzle race was March 14. It was a huge success. Everybody finished the puzzle. We made \$150 from the book raffle. We will be doing it again maybe in May. We will probably not do it during the week, have bigger puzzles, up to 15 tables, and will probably not provide snacks.

-The Vendor Fair/Bake Sale was March 30. The library made \$407.25 from the bake sale, but we had to quit an hour early. The wind blew over the canopy, so we need to figure out something different if we do it again.

-Bulletin boards have all been changed.

-Films have all been changed.

-The village wide yard sale is Saturday, April 27. We will have the front room set up and have another bake sale. We will also set up a table at the Civic Center. Again, all items must be individually wrapped and labeled. Bring items to the library by Friday afternoon.

-Vicki asked Gary Baehr to come and change light bulbs. However, we have most of an hour and need an electrician. Recommendation was Larry Pfeiffer from New Baden or Timothy from Allen.

-Greg and Jo worked on Vince's memorial tree with mulch, rock, and plants. Vicki will look for a light to shine on the plaque. Greg found a concrete bench with books as legs and Vicki purchased it for the library. She will contact one of the Village workers to see about putting down a concrete pad for the bench by the memorial tree.

-Vicki is trying to sell a big tree in the front room. Tractor Library came and got a shelf from the front room that we no longer need.

-Greg has been very handy around the library and added wheels to the conference table so it can be rolled around the room.

**Financial Report:**

Treasurer's Report for March was reviewed.

-Virian explained the bank reconciliation, receipts and expenses for March, the overall budget for the year, and bills to pay.