

New Berlin Library Board Minutes
New Berlin, IL 62560
June 16, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Jo Street.

Member's present were: Jo Street, Diane Hirschler, Greg Sweet, Judy Bacha, Vivian Boudin, Vicki, the Librarian. Absent was Travis Samuel and Tim Smith.

Public Comments: None

Board Meeting Minutes:

May meeting minutes were reviewed. Judy motioned for May minutes to be approved. Vivian second. Minutes were approved.

Librarian Director Updates:

-Vicki distributed the May 2021 Librarian report to Board members and the report was reviewed.

-May recap: Puzzle Race was May 29th. There were 33 people and nine tables. There are more in the fall. We might change the donation from \$5 a person to \$20 a table.

-The June Independence parade is June 21st. We will be passing out Library flyers from in the kids and foldable fans for the adults. Vicki ordered fans for the walkers that will attach to their clothing, but they have not come in yet. If anyone is interested in walking, meet at the library at 6:15.

-Summer Reading is coming along. Vicki passed out e-stim for the volunteers. The crafts are ready for each week. Vicki needs a list of books they plan to read so she has them available.

-Vicki received a call saying our library is eligible for a \$12,500 technology grant. Vicki needed to complete an application, and she did. This grant could cover computers, printer, fax, better internet speed, eBooks, MARS fee, Spectrum bill, Lincware bill, etc. The money will be distributed June 30 and can be spent over a two-year period. Chances are good we will get the grant.

-New parking signs are in and will need to replace the ones up next.

-Jimmy has a new job in Chicago and might not be able to make some of the meetings. The Board will let him decide whether to resign or not.

-There was a discussion about an online eBook service called Libby. It is \$800 a year and we would join with other libraries in southern Illinois. We can also pay a one-time \$250 fee, and it will let our patrons have free availability for any items we purchase for the Libby app. Vicki feels like it is good for the library to offer different options to our patrons, especially electronic options. Vicki will put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Financial Report

Treasurer's Report for May was reviewed.

-Vivian distributed the receipts and expenses, the overall budget for the year, the bills to pay, and the bank reconciliation.

-On the bills to pay sheet the Spectrum bill was changed from \$425.10 to \$250.20. There is a issue with an old bill.

-Judy made a motion to approve the May 2021 financial reports, pay June bills and May debit card bills. Greg second. The treasurer's report was approved.

Vivian made a motion to pay July bills since we will not have a meeting in July. Judy second. Approved.