

Trustees of the Lambertville Free Public Library
Minutes March 13, 2018
Lambertville Free Public Library
6 Lilly St, Lambertville, NJ 08530 7PM

The meeting of the Trustees of the Lambertville Free Public Library was called to order at 7:06 PM by Matt Larkin. In addition to Mr. Larkin present were Trustees Paul Hamilton, Jacqueline Sornstein, Emily Carone, Mary Jane Legere, Amy Connelly, Mayor David Delvecchio, Library Director Harold Dunn and Children's Librarian Jennifer Sirak.

In compliance with the open public meeting act, it was announced that this was the March meeting which had been published in *The Democrat* and filed with the City Clerk for posting on the bulletin board located in City Hall.

Friends of The Library: Harriet Schwartz attended the meeting as a representative of the newly forming Friends of the Library. Matt met with Shirley Kessler and Greg Fola of the Acme screening room and they are working on getting their by laws approved so they can secure their own 501C3. They anticipate 3+ months until they can get their own 501C3. In the interim, they will create a FOL committee. Matt will be the liaison with the Acme. April 11 at 7PM is the first FOL meeting.

Presentation of the Minutes: Minutes from the February 13, 2018 meeting were reviewed. On a motion by Jacqueline Sornstein and seconded by Emily Carone the Board unanimously approved the February minutes. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Presentation of the Treasurer's Report: On a motion by David Delvecchio and seconded by Mary Jane Legere, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's reports and authorized the Treasurer to pay the bills as presented for February. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED. We need to find out what amount is FDIC insured for a money market account and make sure we are not over that. Cindy Ege wants the letter to confirm the \$60,000 payment the library makes to the city for services. Jacqui and Paul to locate letter from last year. On a motion by Paul Hamilton and seconded by Jacqueline Sornstein, the Board unanimously approved a payment of \$60,000 to the City of Lambertville for annual services. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence: Thank you note from SHRSB for participating in literacy night.

Director's Report: See attached. In addition, Mayor David Delvecchio commended the library staff for keeping the library open during the power outages due to snow.

Children's Library Report: See attached

Old Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made by Jacqueline Sornstein, seconded by David Delvecchio, to approve the 2018 budget as presented. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by David Delvecchio, seconded by Jacqueline Sornstein, to explore opening the library 1PM to 5PM on Sundays. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED. Harold to talk to staff to see if anyone is interested in Sunday hours.

The board wants to generate ideas on how to better provide programs/reach out to the community. A few areas were discussed. Board would like to come up with 2 initiatives to further explore.

- Participation in summer reading program declines significantly after 6th grade. The board discussed how to get older students to utilize the library more. Probably best to target middle school before high school. Mary Jane Legere will discuss with Jen Sirak about reaching out to the Middle School/High School librarian.
- Kate McGinnity and Talia run tutoring program and may be a good community contact.
- Emily Carone to speak to other libraries that run book mobiles. Harold has some on-line library forums that might provide some information.

A motion was made by David Delvecchio, seconded by Mary Jane Legere, to create a 5 year committee to explore expanding programming. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED. Matt Larkin, Jacqueline Sornstein and Amy Connelly to be participants in the 5 year committee.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Jacqueline Sornstein, seconded by Mary Jane Legere, to adjourn at 8:30 PM. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted by Jacqueline Sornstein.