

Ellington Farman Library Board Meeting

Minutes For June 24, 2024

Present: B. Speas, M.J. Griffith, D. Csorba, D. Young, C. Wragge and A. Hitchcock

Excused: S. Cala, D. Storey, J. Whittaker

Agenda	Discussion/Decision	Status
Call to Order	Called to order by B. Speas at 7:04p	
Guests	No special guests	
Secretary's Report	Minutes previously distributed by email. Corrections made to May minutes as Cindy forgot to record the names of who called to motion and who 2 nd those motions. Motion by C. Wragge. to approve report as corrected; 2 nd : M.J. Griffith.	Approved.
Treasurer's Report	Previously distributed by email. Reviewed in detail. Folder of bills received and paid and most recent bank statements available for Trustee review. Motion by A. Hitchcock to approve report as distributed. 2 nd . D. Csorba. Motion to reimburse M.J. Griffith for \$29.46 for supplies made by C. Wragge and 2 nd by D. Young.	Approved.
Library Director's Report	Previously distributed by email. Discussion was had about someone from the board to thank Assemblyman Goodel at the Town Picnic for money that use to be called "Bullet Aid" that he has given to CCLS. Library raised \$2,428 from the Give Big CHQ online event. Motion by D. Csorba to approve report as submitted. 2 nd : A. Hitchcock	Approved.
Budget & Finance	The board received a letter from Lundberg Price which included a check for \$5,000 on behalf of the Ester Bly Estate. M.J. Griffith talked to the propane company and was able to get them to come down to \$2.10 a gallon. We prepaid \$3,200 to them in 2023 and had to pay extra to finish the season. Board discussed using \$4,000 from that check to prepay for propane for the upcoming winter season. The remaining \$1,000 will go to the checking account until we have the results of the 414 vote. Motion made by Cindy to approve the use of the donation and 2 nd by A. Hitchcock. Motion carried and approved.	Approved.

Building	Sewer cap is in, and Cindy will place it soon. The railing is complete. Research is being done to decide if it is better to paint or stain the railing.	
By-laws	No action.	
Fundraising	Town Picnic supply and pie sign ups were passed around to all board members. B. Speas asked the board if Joselyn could make book shaped cookies to be sold at the town picnic. Board loves the idea of book cookies but thinks that idea would be better for the upcoming centennial celebration. .	
Library Grants	No new action to report.	
Nominating	A. Hitchcock and D. Csorba decided to co-chair the committee together in the absence of S. Cala.	
Ad Hoc Personnel	A. Hitchcock will talk with personnel about performing cleaning duties during spare time.	
Ad Hoc Sustainable Revenue	Committee met on June 6 th . 45 signatures were obtained for the 414 vote. Motion was made by M.J. Griffith to accept the 414 vote petition signatures. B. Speas 2 nd the motion. Motion carried and approved. The petition signatures will now go to the Ellington Town Clerk. Bookmarks will be at the Pie Booth during the Town Picnic, bookmarks will have a short explanation about the 414 vote with information on the informational meetings. Brochures about the 414 vote will be available in the library. Discussion was had about inviting non-board members to the next Sustainable Revenue meeting.	Approved.
Ad Hoc Centennial Celebration	No new action to report.	
Strategic Planning	Still on hold until the 414 vote results.	
Old Business		
New Business	Jan Dekoff suggested that in good will that we eliminate the overdue book fees, board decided to table the vote until J. Whittaker is available for the board to ask her questions. It was suggested that trashcans to be put at the horseshoe pits during the Town Picnic. Board agreed to allow the	Approved

	Chainsaw Demonstration to take place behind the library if they need to. Centennial Meeting: June 27 th at 6pm	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn by A. Hitchcock 2 nd : C. Wragge. Adjourned at 8:13pm	Approved.

Respectfully submitted,
DreAnn R. Csorba