

Leach Public Library Trustees' Meeting October 8, 2019

Present were: Judy Jackson, Molly Veysey, Marge Morley, Gretchen Bittner, Laurie Green-Holland, Phillis Mosher, Robin Kay, Evelyn Kennison.

The meeting was brought to order at 10:39 am. Minutes of the last four meetings were signed (July 9, August 13, September 3, and October 1). There was no public comment.

Review of Library HarvestFest Events

The Edible Auction brought in \$1262.50, including donations. Robin said that next year bidders will be asked to sign up ahead and get a number. Judy also felt that more publicity for the auction would be good. It was agreed that the auction could be held in the library in case of rain. The obstacle course was wonderful for the youngsters, but it was felt that admission by donation would be good next year. The entire day was a great success, but the dance was poorly attended; perhaps that should not be held again.

Update of Temporary Repair of Library Steps

Gretchen reported that the work has been completed by Ryan Kneeland. The cost was \$500 less than anticipated. She has forwarded the bill to Danielle Ingalls, town treasurer.

Update on Municipal Planning Grant Application

Judy has used the name "Step by Step" as the name of the plan for repairing the Library steps and making it accessible. The amount needed for the planning will be \$28,000. This will come from the Municipal Planning Grant, the town and the library. The plan will involve an architectural historian, engineers and a cost estimate. A Library Building Committee will oversee this grant. People from the Planning Commission, Library Trustees, and the Library Director will all be on the committee. Phillis and Gretchen will serve as Library representatives. The Library Website and Sue VanHouwe will also be an important part of the process. The application was submitted on October 1, 2019.

Judy asked Gretchen to design a logo for the Step by Step plan.

Update on Village Center Designation Application

The deadline for this application will be in November. NVDA will help with required maps for the application. Judy will continue to work on this.

Addition to the Agenda-Fundraising Ideas

Christmas Cards and a Library Cookbook were suggested as possibilities. The Saturday after Thanksgiving will be the Gingerbread Open House at the Library.

Laurie turned over \$262 to Molly from the Book Sale. This will be put into the Reserve Fund. She will keep \$200 for petty cash.

Addition to the Agenda-Update on Enrichment Program

Molly stated that 32 students were enrolled in the courses. Most will start the week of October 14. Grants have been received for 10 metal detectors and for snacks and food. Some of the programs are metal detecting, destroy and rebuild, and macrame. Any questions about liability should be referred to treasurer Danielle Ingalls who will contact VLCT, the town's insurer.

Expense reports were explained and signed. The next meeting will be November 12 at 10:30 am. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Submitted by Evelyn Kennison