

Springport Free Library  
September 21, 2022  
Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Attendees: President — Christy Cooper, Trustees — Jeanne Hardy, Robin Greer, Jim Young, Barbara Casper; Library Director — Carla Piperno-Jones; Financial Officer Scott Zippel was present during the review of the August Financial Report.

Absent: Gretchen Weir and Laurie Waldron

Board President Christy Cooper called the regular board meeting to begin at 6:31 pm.

Old Business:

1. Robin Greer presented the August 17, 2022 Regular Board of Trustee minutes. Barb Casper thanked Robin Greer for taking and reporting the minutes, due to Barb's absence. After reviewing the minutes, Jim Young made a motion to accept the August 17, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, and Robin Greer seconded the motion. The motion was open for discussion. The Trustees voted 4 — 0, to approve the minutes.
2. A) The August 2022 Financial Report from the Financial Officer, Scott was distributed and reviewed. Special donations were made in memorial of Linda Tanner. Spectrum internet services were cancelled and replaced with internet services through the Finger Lakes Library System. Robin Greer made a motion to accept the August 2022 Financial Report, Christy Cooper seconded the motion. The motion was open for discussion. The Trustees voted 4 — 0, to approve the minutes.  
  
B) The Board of Trustees agreed to allow Financial Officer Scott Zippel investigate interest rates for CDs to find the best rate, in preparation for the USCD public funding deposit which is forthcoming.  
  
C) Members discussed library funding request for the 2023 Union Springs School District budget referendum. Jim Young made a motion to ask for \$3,500 budget request for the 2023 Union Springs School District Budget Referendum. Jeanne Hardy seconded the motion. The motion was open for discussion. The Trustees voted 4 — 0 in favor of the resolution.
3. Carla Piperno-Jones presented the September 19, 2022 Director's Report. She received a letter of resignation from Jill Hand as the Children's Librarian, due to new employment with the Onondaga Library System. The library was successfully painted. The statistical breakdown of the successful summer reading program was shared, with special thanks to the efforts of Jill Hand and Heather Schenck. Most notable was the high attendance of the online programming for teens — with 901 attendees. The program also successfully expanded to the village park. After a hiatus caused by COVID health protocols, the local Girl Scouts troop has resumed meetings in the library basement. The library received \$230.00 from the National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI), to fund two kits for children and their families.

Christy Cooper made a motion to accept the September 19, 2022, Library Directors Report, Jeanne Hardy seconded the motion. The motion was opened for discussion. The Trustees voted to approve the August 2022 Library Director's report, 4 - 0.

4. Building and Grounds:

- A) Jim Young stated that he will continue to contact a local business to find out if stucco repairs can be made to the outside of the library building.
- B) With the success of the recent painting of the building interior, trustees discussed the next step in acquiring new carpeting to replace the 35 plus year-old carpeting. The trustees also discussed the need for a professional "deep cleaning" of the library. Members will continue to investigate potential businesses that could be hired for this need.

New Business

- 1. A bid to provide electric services to the library shed was submitted by Saxton Electric. Robin Greer made a motion to accept the project bid from Saxton Electric at an estimated cost of \$3,526.00. Jeanne Hardy seconded the motion. The motion was open to discussion. The motion was approved by the Board of Trustees: 4 - 0.
- 2. The letter of resignation from the Children's Librarian, Jill Hand was introduced. With great appreciation of her successful efforts to provide increased services and support for the children in this library and community, and with great regrets, the Board discussed this resignation. Board President Christy Cooper made a motion to accept Jill Hand's resignation as Springport Free Library's Children's Librarian. Robin Greer seconded the motion. The motion was open for discussion. The motion was approved by the Board of Trustees 4 - 0.
- 3. Due to the concern of its value, Librarian Director Carla Piperno-Jones proposed that Henry Jacquette's framed drawing, "Carpenter's Mate", be placed in the Springport Free Library's Safety Deposit Box at the Cayuga Lake National Bank in Union Springs. This drawing is approximately 12" x 8" and is dated July 20, 1865. Robin Greer made a motion for Carla Piperno-Jones to place the framed drawing of Henry Jacquette's "Carpenter's Mate" into the Springport Free Library's Safety Deposit Box located at the Cayuga Lake National Bank in Union Springs. Christy Cooper seconded the motion. The motion was open for discussion. The motion was approved by the Board of Trustees 4 - 0.

Board President Christy Cooper adjourned the regular meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Casper

Recording Secretary