

J.A. Tarbell Library

Minutes

July 6, 2021

Present: Bob Rogers, Jennifer Howe, Lou Sorrentino, Sally Curran & Brenda Cassidy

Bob called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

There was no treasurer's report. Ursula had given us a print out of year-to-date expenses and we are fine.

Librarian's report: Brenda applied for a grant to purchase a new outdoor message board and a tent. We were awarded \$1,188.00. Brenda said the summer reading program is in place – it's reading bingo for children up to 8, 8 and up to teen, and teens and adults. When you complete a bingo card you get a \$2 gift certificate for the Village Store and are entered for the grand prize. We debated prizes and arrived at \$50 for up to 8 at the Toy Store, \$50 for Wilton House of Pizza for 8 – teen and \$50 at Nelson's Candy & Ice Cream for teen to adult. The library is also running a "stop in and pick up a craft" program. "Tails and Tales is the official program for summer reading.

Old Business: Jen raised the question of having trustees vote on programs being considered. She also questioned whether the Library should be offering programs at this point. A motion was made to start public programs in September and passed with one dissenting vote.

New Business: The issue of unauthorized people using the unpaved parking lot was raised. There is one truck in particular that is parked in our lot all the time. It is not a public lot. Sally has the license plate numbers and will notify the police that this is not a public lot and not available for anyone who is not a library patron to use – especially on a frequent basis and for long periods of time.

These minutes are sketchy because we were nearly done with the meeting when we realized that no one was taking notes.

Jen moved to adjourn at 8 pm, seconded by Sally.

The next meeting is Tuesday, August 3rd.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Curran, acting Secretary