

**Spring Green Community Library Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 9, 2019**

This meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Sue Meise in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

**Present:** Sue Meise, Linda Thering, Linda Kettner, Robin Reid, Janet Keel, Sam Van Hallgren, Carrie Portz (director)

**Absent:** Ed Lilla

**Guest:** Bridget Roberts

**Agenda:** Robin moved to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Janet Keel. Motion carried.

**Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting:** Linda Thering moved to accept the minutes from the previous, seconded by Sam Van Hallgren. Motion carried.

**Treasurer & Financial Reports:** Linda Thering reported on current CDs. Carrie Portz highlighted our financial report from the village. Janet Keel moved to accept the treasurer and financial reports, seconded by Robin Reid. Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills:** Linda Thering moved to accept the bills, seconded by Linda Kettner. Motion carried.

**Director's Report:** Carrie distributed her report. She included monthly statistics. Some of the numbers are down a little. Youth Services is doing well, lots of interesting programs. They have had 3 programs about space. There will be a Poetry Slam on April 10. Adult programming included Inga Witscher, Friends of the Library Annual Meeting and 10 Minute Play Contest, screening of "Green Fire" for the anniversary of Aldo Leopold's sand County Almanac, and a beginning knitting class. There have been opportunities for continuing education for the staff. The library hosted a PLSR Listening Session for the SW part of the state. We received a grant of \$1,200 to hold a watercolor workshop for older adults. This is National Library Week. Carrie presented a brochure about the annual report that she would like to give to the Village Board and asked for suggestions for changes and additions from the board.

**Friends' Update:** They held their annual meeting in March.

**Old Business**

**-Discussion of Library Garden:** Patti Peltier sent a copy of notes from the meeting to evaluate the garden area. We would like to offer the plants from the garden to the Bloomin' Buddies first and then later offer other plants to the public. We'll check with Patti Peltier about marking the plants we want to keep. Sue will contact Kathy Compy from the Bloomin' Buddies. We need info from Ed about the permeable pavers. Robin will check with Greg from the village about shrubs for the front of the building. Linda K. will talk to Patti about the design for the front of the building. Our plan is to get the front of the building completed and begin on the garden area.

**-Discussion of Library Investment Policy:** Carrie distributed a beginning policy for our library that includes ideas from other libraries. It was suggested that we gather advice from someone who does institutional investment at the community level. Robin and Carrie will contact someone with this expertise for information regarding investment

guidelines. The board gave some suggestions for changes and modifications to the distributed policy.

**New Business**

None

**General Public Comment:** Bridget Roberts asked if we are hiring Patti Peltier to help with the garden planning. At some point she should be paid for her expertise. Bridget asked who will oversee the plant distribution in the garden. Bridget mentioned a basket of books that is at the laundromat as a library outreach activity. She suggested that library brochures be placed at various places in the community.

**Confirm Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 5:00 PM

**Adjourn:** Sam Van Hallgren made a motion to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Robin Reid. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Kettner