

Meeting of the Cherry Valley Library Trustees on 1/13/2021

Meeting called to order by Kathleen Taylor. Present was Kathleen Taylor, Claire Ottman, Diane McGrath, Laura Horvath, Pam Plymell and John Ferguson

After some discussion, the trustees agreed upon the following slate of officers.

President:	Kathleen Taylor
Vice President:	Laura Carson
Treasurer:	Laura Horvath
Secretary:	John Ferguson

Diane moved to accept these officers for the coming year, Pam seconded. Vote carried unanimous.

There followed discussion of asking other persons to become trustees. Laura will ask Angelica Palmer and Erin Redden if they would like to become trustees. There was also discussion of asking Lisa Kressbach if she would like to become a volunteer.

Acceptance of previous minutes:
Laura H moved to accept minutes as amended.
John F. seconded.
Approved unanimous

Treasurer's report.

Pam stated we should continue on a cash basis, rather than an accrual basis. Kathleen would like the total amount of money donated for building.

Pam moved and John seconded to approve the treasurer's report.
Approved unanimous.

Discussion of the fundraising letter, and how much we need. We need to add to the letter the fact that 4 county's funding has been reduced by 23% which will impact our ability to provide services to our clientele, under the current funding plan. The fundraising letter is a work in progress, and once it is complete, Kathleen will take it to Raceway Printing in Cobleskill to be printed. Claire will deliver the list to Pam, who will vet the list that we get from the tax office, crossing off duplicates. John and Kathleen will remove excess labels to match the list. Diane will then attach labels to letters.

Construction Update. Railings are being built. Door bell for back door is in but not installed. There is a crack in the corner of the new addition. Laura said we should wait until spring thaw before having the contractor repair it. We should begin a punch list of items to be repaired later.

Ballot Funding Referendum. Laura H. is concerned that this is not a good time to raise taxes. Pam said we need to talk to Christine Erway at the bank, and Teri Jo Climenhaga at the school, to get buy-in. Also Lou Guido and Gus Abdullah. Pam thinks we need to be optimistic. Also need to

talk to Jordan, the new owner at convenience Corner. Claire thinks it's a bad time to ask for money. Kathleen will begin a conversation with the Springfield Library folks. If it fails we try again in three years.

Unattended Children Policy: John moved, Diane seconded to accept the policy. Approved unanimously.

Emergency Disaster Policy: Diane moved, Laura seconded to accept the policy. Approved unanimously.

Revised Tobacco policy: John moved, Diane seconded to accept the policy. Approved unanimously.

New Business:

Long Range Plan. Diane move to accept the plan with the understanding we will revisit it at a future meeting. John seconded. Approved unanimously.

Discussion of improved phone service for the library. Maybe alternatives to traditional phone usage. Discussion will continue next meeting.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 7th.

With no other business, Diane moved and John seconded to adjourn at 8:24 pm. All approved.