North Castle Public Library

Library Board of Trustee Minutes – Feb 10, 2014

Sean Ryan called meeting to order at 7:35 pm

In attendance:

Trustees: David Charney, John Naclerio, Sean Ryan, Jerry March, Jeanne Lapsker, Scott Shopnik, Jennifer Paulson Lee

Friends: Marilyn Heimerdinger

Library Director: Scott Jarzombek

Town Board: Barbara W. DiGiacinto

Opening Comments:

Approval of Minutes: January 2014. Jerry moved. Jeanne second. All were in favor.

Approval of Warrant: Warrant No. 2 for $20,385.50 was submitted and approved. John made a motion to approve the warrant and addendum. Jerry second. All were in favor. Sean signed the warrant

Director’s Report:

Scott discussed many items of business including staffing issues being clarified, teen room reorganization, traction with the new book selection. A Pinterest page has now been launched. WLS has integrated ebooks in the catalogue. Parking has been increasingly a problem.

Highlights

WiFi project:

We have an opportunity to extend the WiFi between the library and the rec center. However, the cost is significant. There are many benefits such as advertisement opportunities from a required landing page. It also provides a reach to the younger generation in hopes of pulling in more patrons, increasing the coordination between the libraries and businesses. A motion was made to approve the planning phase of a centralized WiFi with the epicenter at the library by Mary Beth, second by Jerry. All are in favor.

Building:

Repairing the AC in the Elson room must be complete this year. Scott will compile competitive bids ASAP. One quote came in for $47K. Mary Beth made motion to proceed. John second. All were in favor.
New Business:

Templates of how the monthly e-newsletter should look was discussed, as well as changing the format of the weekly letter, and format of emails for weather related notifications. This will give us more of a community feel.

Old Business:

Phone quotes came in to replace the system. The current system is antiquated. The Fullam fund will be able to cover this expense (~$8000), and the change will pay for itself after 2-3 years. Motion to approve was made by Jeanne. Second by Scott Stopnick. All were in favor.

David’s report

David lead a discussion about creating a unified vision for the library. To invigorate forward motion, hesuggested a goal of 90% of the community use the library.

Personnel:

Edi gave a presentation about the “Day in the Life” of a librarian. It was a wonderful and heartfelt presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 pm. Our next meeting will take place March 10, 2014 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jennifer Paulson Lee