

Arkport Public Library
Board Minutes of January 10, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Patty Amidon at 6:03 pm at the Library.

Pledge to the flag was recited by the members.

Members present: Cody Herman, Carol Burns, Joanne Bisson, Marge Wagner, Patty Amidon, Terry Pullman

Motion was made by Terry and seconded by Marge to approve the December minutes.

Old Business:

Terry discussed the budget for the next year. Document attached. With salaries and expenses our 2% increase proposal will be very close. Also discussed is a one hundred percent increase and a failed vote scenario. Marge made motion and Carol seconded to accept the 2024 budget.

Carol will see the assessor tomorrow to get a better idea the size of the library lot. A discussion of tree removal and how much land belongs to the Library.

Looking for names for potential story-time readers. Cody planning for summertime reading. Advertise in the Village newsletter, Facebook posts that we are looking for story readers. The newsletter goes out quarterly from the Village with the water bills. Will need some rugs or mats for children.

Terry is working out the details of a reading time program with the teacher of the young children at school in good weather.

New Business

Director Report: Patrons:87, New Cards:4 Transactions:115 Donation2 boxes New Books: 12

Art Club and D&D continue to be successful. On 12/28 there was a D&D 8 hour event with 10 attendees.

Discussion on the development of Logo and Website. Tabled

2024 at a glance: Adventure begins at the Library. Visions for the future of the library.

Meet Jan 17th-Feb 28th 2:30-4 pm.

In May the Library will be co-hosting with the Historical Society John Babbit's program.

Marge made a motion and Carol seconded to accept the Treasurers report.

Goals and budget and how to promote the Library with programs teaching, and local interest discussed. Director looking to be more active in community activities.

Next meeting to be February 8, 6 pm at the Library

Marge and Patty both spoke about stepping back from the board.

They both are very important to the Board and hope they will continue.

Motion by Joanne, Seconded by Marge to adjourn at 7:05 pm.