

William B. Ogden Free Library  
Board of Trustees Annual Meeting  
January 22, 2019

Attending: Dir. Heather Johnson; Bus. Manager, Sheryl Edwards; Pres. Robbie Jean Rice; Members-Glenn Miller; Judy Wildenstein; Kathy Harby; Jim Kane; Lynda Preiser; Sandy Gregory; Jessica Backus-Foster; Rachel James. Public- Gary Preiser, Denise Mehegan

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Pres. R. Rice with a quorum present.

A motion was made, second and approved that R.J. Rice be Meeting Chairperson.

A motion was made, second and approved that L. Preiser be the Secretary.

Public Comments. G. Preiser asked about the durability of the cedar shingles that are being put on the library roof. G. Miller stated that they have a 50 year warranty.

The Secretary's report of Jan. 23, 2018 meeting was read and accepted. See attached.

The business manager's report by S. Edwards was reviewed. See attached. \$25,000 CD was cashed and put in operating funds. Edwards and S. Gregory made the annual check of the safety box and all is in order.

The 2020 budget was presented. There is a 1.5% increase (\$1,801) from 2019. The 2018 budget was \$214,568. The 2019 was \$191,652. Staff will get 2% raises. A motion was moved, second and approved to accept the budget.

R.J. Rice gave the president's report for 2018 . See attached.

Highlights: There were many successful programs and events including MOD Saturday workshops, Ukele workshop, summer reading program

and author talks. Receiving the NYS construction grant allowed the library to replace the roof and gutters and we have applied for more grants for sidewalks, doors and windows. The main floor was painted in August. Three trustees resigned and two new Trustees were elected to the board. The Grant Rogers Committee continues to move forward. Dir. Susan Frisbee resigned in Sept. and we hired Heather Johnson as Director in Dec. We hope to finish out 5 year construction plan in 2019.

J. Wildenstein gave the Nomination Committee report stating that S. Gregory will continue to serve as a trustee and treasurer for another term. There was a motion, a second and approval.

Pres. Rice asked if a few Trustees would attend the March school board meeting to request a 1.5% (\$1,831.00) increase from the school tax budget for the library. G. Miller and S. Gregory agreed.

The next meeting is January, 2020 at 7pm

A motion was made and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynda Preiser, Secretary