

Library Board Minutes

June 25, 2015

Attendees: Board Members - Janice Stepp, David Tremaine, Penny Dorsey, Shaelynn Charvet Bates, LeeAnn Balbirona, Abe Martinez, Dave Corvin, Andy Powers

Excused: Debby Ames

Sno-Isle: Valerie Stevens, Sonia Gustafson, Managing Librarian

City: Todd Welch

Chairperson Shaelynn called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Minutes of April 16, 2015 meeting had been approved via e-mail. Copy sent to City of Lake Stevens.

Sonia Gustafson, New Managing Librarian, introduced herself. She began Monday, June 8th coming most recently from Spokane Public Libraries having received her Librarians Degree in Seattle and worked in the Seattle area.

Reports

Sno-Isle –

- Valerie Stevens reported that a new feasibility study is being done on the Grade Road Property. The wetlands have grown so determination will be made on how much land is currently buildable.
- Sno-Isle is working with a consultant on Facilities plans for all 21 Sno-Isle libraries hoping to determine what is needed in libraries, how they will be used, and the best use of them in their local communities. Focus groups, surveys are a couple of the ways community input will be sought.
- Sno-Isle will be hosting T.E.D.X (Technology/Entertainment/Design) talks Friday November 6th at the Edmonds Center for the Arts. These talks bring together experts in various fields for short, about 20 minutes, talks in their expertise. In a recent Sno-Isle Newsletter volunteers were being sought for this program. Persons interested should go on-line to sign up to volunteer as well to attend this event as seating is limited. Penny Dorsey has signed up to volunteer.

City – City Council Liaison to the Library,

- Reiterated what Valerie said about Environmental review on the wetlands.
- Music in the Park begins Thursday July 2nd.
- Large roundabout at bottom of hill has new art work coming, hopefully, in September 2015.

Managing Librarian – Sonia presented her report –

- Storytimes continue to be well attended;
- The Minecraft program earlier today (June 25th) had nearly 30 attendees.
- Facility report – broken window in front of library has been replaced.

Friends of the Library – Sharon Merrick reported on the upcoming Book Sale at Aqua Fest. Help is needed Wednesday July 22 to bring books from storage to be sorted; Thursday put out and sorted on outside tables; Sale begins noon on Friday July 24th Last Day 3 p.m. to closing, bag of books for \$3.00. Left-over books are taken to Half-Price books. Sharon doesn't mind overseeing the Book Sale but would like someone to coordinate it.

New Business: Abe Martinez brought us up to date on the PAC (Political Action Committee). Basically waiting for feasibility study and school district decision as to when they might run a new bond/levy before this group can move forward. During Aqua Fest, people will be encouraged to go into the library to seek further information on Sno-Isle, "Lake Stevens Yes (PAC), and how they might help. This should be easier this year with the expanded hours including Sunday.

Shaelynn asked for further comments. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Next meeting will be October 15, 2015 in the Historical Reading Room – a better fit for our group than the Community Center where it's noisy and we have to set up and take down tables/chairs.

Sincerely,

Janice Stepp, Secretary Pro-Tem