

**FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008**

President Murphy called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ann Catlow; Mary Kay Frazier; Village Representative Diane Lewis; Joe McHugh; Genie Murphy; Mary Ann Pearce; and Tom Whowell

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Dolly Schneidwind

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Nancy Krei, Library Director and Sharon O'Brien

Village Trustee Diane Lewis, who was appointed as the Village Representative on the Library Board, was introduced and welcomed.

The April 16, 2008 Minutes were unanimously approved on a Whowell/McHugh motion.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Motion by Catlow/Frazier to approve the May Village and Gift Account bills and to accept the April Petty Cash Report. Motion carried unanimously.

**VILLAGE ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Village-owned house to the east of the Library has been torn down. The lot is being held for future use. The Board discussed some potential ideas for the Library to utilize the space. Nancy suggested it could be turned into an unofficial park, perhaps called "Library Park". If it were covered with grass and some benches added, it would make a nice outdoor reading area.

**LAKESHORES REPORT:** Nancy reported on the Director's meeting in Burlington on May 6, and reminded everyone of the SIRSI software upgrade to Symphony May 24-26.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Nancy gave her report. She attended the Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries Conference on May 1 in Stevens Point. She distributed copies of the *Economic Impact of Wisconsin Public Libraries to the Economy of Wisconsin* report. One significant finding of this report was "the return on investment in library services is \$4.06 for each dollar of taxpayer investment." The Mary Hutchings Reed author event was a success and a wonderful evening. Nancy thanked Ann Catlow contacting the author, and for her help that evening. The Summer Reading theme is "Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library!" Sharon will lead a Bug Walk on June 25. The reference, audio, and large print sections of the library have been shifted and rearranged.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A Roy Diblik book-signing event is planned. The Board discussed the possibility of having a plant sale in conjunction with his appearance. Tentative dates are June 24 or June 26.

Sharon would like to remove the Library's children's garden and the area by the sign from the Park's Master Plan. The Library staff would then take care of the area, and have the flexibility in plant selection. Sharon will make the request at the Park Commission meeting.

The next meeting will be June 18, 2008.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. on a Pearce/McHugh motion.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Pearce, Secretary

*approved by*  
*The Fontana Public*  
*Library Board* 6/13/08