

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE  
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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**REGULAR MEETING of the FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

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(OFFICIAL MINUTES)

**Wednesday, October 20, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

The regular meeting of the Library Board was called to order at 11:07 am.

**Board Members Present:**

(Roll Call) Library Board President Tom Whowell, Diane French, Margaret Reuland, Ann Barth, Lisa Laing, Dolly Schneidwind, and Steve Torrez.

**Board Members Absent:**

None

**Also Present:**

Library Director Walter Burkhalter.

**Secretary's Report/Approve (amend if necessary) minutes of September 15, 2021.** Director Burkhalter presented the minutes of the September 15, 2021 meeting of the Fontana Library Board. Reuland/Schneidwind 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the minutes of September 15, 2021 meeting and the MOTION carried without a negative vote.

**Financial Report: Approve October Village and Gift Account Expenditures and Audit those made since September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Director Burkhalter presented the October Village and Gift Account Expenditures and reviewed the report showing those made since September 15<sup>th</sup>. Barth/Schneidwind 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the October Village and Gift Account Expenditures and the MOTION carried without a negative vote. Whowell/Schneidwind 2<sup>nd</sup> made a motion to approve expenditures to remodel kitchen not to exceed \$3,000 and the MOTION carried without a negative vote.

**Financial Report: October Gift Account Report and September Daily Cash Report.**

Director Burkhalter presented the October Gift Account Report and September Daily Cash Report. Barth/Schneidwind 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to accept the October Gift Account Report and September Daily Cash Report and the MOTION carried without a negative vote.

**Director's Report.**

Burkhalter stated that the budget process is moving forward. He mentioned that the current cost of living is around 5% and that Social Security benefits increase will be 5.9% in 2022. He will report back regarding director salaries at other local libraries at the next meeting. He will also have a recommendation regarding staff salaries at that point.

DPI released requirements for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grants. After attending several meetings regarding the grants it doesn't appear to be feasible for our library at this time. Burkhalter will keep the Board apprised of any updates.

Shelving for the youth area has arrived and hopefully will be installed by the end of the year.

**Village Announcements**

None

**COVID-19 Response.**

No updates.

**Unfinished Business:**

The Planning Committee met twice and created a draft plan that should be completed by year's end. In conjunction with the plan Burkhalter contacted Anders Dahlgren about a possible space assessment. Update will be provided at the next meeting.

Burkhalter spoke with Emily Kornak regarding a possible joint digitization project. Specifics will probably come after Lake Geneva has completed its renovation.

Schneidwind/Reuland 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to make a gift of \$500 to the Fontana Garden Club to start and maintain a seed library located near the magazine collection and the MOTION carried without a negative vote.

**Next Regular Meeting:**

The next regular monthly meeting of the Fontana Public Library Board was scheduled for Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am. The annual holiday party will be held December 15<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Boathouse. Library to close for the afternoon.

**Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:26 pm.