# **Tuckahoe Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes**

# Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

In Attendance: Ginger Crosby, Elaine Garry, Julie Gurdin, Leslie Rohr, Swadesh Pachnanda

(Director)

### Friends of the Library

Friends is considering holding a fall concert as a fundraising event. Julie suggested asking Friends to contribute toward a line item in the library budget, such as purchase of books, which would give the library more flexibility in how to use the funds in the overall budget.

#### Presentation

Renee Arana, a sophomore at Tuckahoe High School, gave a comprehensive presentation about doing a Story Walk on library grounds, which would like to do as her Eagle Scout project. The Board unanimously agreed.

# **President's Report**

• Minutes: Julie motioned to approve the March minutes; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ginger; all in favor.

• March Vouchers: \$2,288.61; Trust & Agency: \$2,193.66

• April Vouchers: \$3,449.06; Trust & Agency: \$2,762.31

### **Director's Report**

- Financial statistics: Swadesh reviewed with the Board the general ledger, expense and revenue control reports. The Village approved a budget increase of 7.45% for FY2022/2023.
- Building and Grounds: The Village is still looking for a sub-contractor to redo the staff bathrooms. Frank DiMarco is dealing with the insurance company regarding carpet replacement and painting the bookshelves due to damage caused by Hurricane Ida.
   Swadesh met with David and Carolina about the proposed library renovations. Carolina will scale down the plans to arrive at a more reasonable cost.
- WLS Updates: Elaine Provenzano updated the Board about the system-wide ransomware attack and reported that things are now back to normal.
- Grants: the Community Fund will announce the amount of this year's grant at the end
  of May. The library is applying for extensions on the NYS Construction grants.
- Staffing: Heidi Giardina was hired as a Part-time Clerk.
- Other: Swadesh recounted the incident of inappropriate behavior at the library resulting in a posting on YouTube. The Tuckahoe Police Department will hold safety training for the staff in the event of any similar occurrences in the future.

**Upcoming Programs:** See calendar. All programs are virtual.

Elaine motioned to adjourn at 8 pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ginger; all in favor.

Submitted by Elaine Garry