

**Trustees of the Free Public Library of Lambertville  
Minutes of March 11th, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Trustees of the Free Public Library of Lambertville was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chair Deborah Mercer. Present were Chair Deborah Mercer, Vice Chair Lorra Hambach, Treasurer Emily Carone, Secretary Christine Miller, Children's Librarian Jennifer Sirak, Mayor DeVecchio, LPS Representative Beth Asaro & Sara Scully. Director Harold Dunn was absent.

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, it was announced that this was the regularly scheduled February meeting which had been published in *The Beacon* and filed with the City Clerk for posting on the bulletin board in City Hall.

**Presentation of Minutes:** The minutes of the March 11th meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved with amendment on a motion by Ms. Hambach, seconded by Ms. Mercer and carried by unanimous vote.

**Presentation of Treasurer's Report:** Ms. Carone's reports were distributed, including the Cash Flow Report of 2/10/08 through 3/9/08, the Accounts Payable report for March 2008 and the Net Worth Report as of 3/9/2008. The Net Worth Report showed a balance of \$26,659.65 and \$265,697.57 in the Stryker Fund for a total of \$292,357.22. On a motion by Ms. Mercer, seconded by Ms. Hambach and carried by unanimous vote, the Treasurer's reports were accepted, and Ms. Carone was authorized to pay the library's customary bills.

**Presentations:** Sara Scully discussed her interest in the Board supporting the Nickelodeon Nites file program

**Correspondence:** A letter was received from Linda Monteverde regarding an overpayment/duplicate check. Ms. Carone will contact Ms. Monteverde to discuss the issue and determine an amount, if any owed to the City.

**Facilities:**

- The roof in the Children's reading room has a leak, Mayor DeVecchio will contact Paul Cronce for a patch.
- A second round of bids are being accepted for Library renovations/repairs.
- Discussion of Library security was tabled until the April meeting.
- The carpets have been cleaned, signs are ready to be re-hung, gallery painted.

**Children's Services:**

- Lambertville Public School is presently without a Librarian, Jennifer is working with LPS on programming.
- A review of the Summer Reading program was presented.

**Friends:**

- Mayor DeVecchio and Ms. Scully spoke to an attorney regarding ethics issue relative to a Friend being paid, will get detail in writing
- Sara Scully discussed Movie program and inquired of the Library's interest in funding.
- Ms. Mercer, Ms. Hambach & Ms. Miller to meet separately to discuss Movie program further.
- Ms. Scully requested commitment of hours from Library Staff.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- The Trustees entered closed session at 9:35 to discuss staffing issues. A motion was made by Ms. Miller, and seconded by Ms. Carone to exit closed session at 9:44pm.
- Two committees were formed, Finance including Ms. Carone, Mayor DeVecchio and Ms. Mercer. In addition, a Personnel committee was formed of Ms. Miller, Ms. Asaro & Ms. Hambach. Ms. Miller made a motion to accept the committee members, which was seconded by Ms. Mercer and carried by unanimous vote.
- Ms. Mercer & Ms. Hambach will look into the viability of offering Lambertville high school students LFPL cards.
- Mayor DeVecchio reviewed the City's proposed initiatives relative to February's announced State cuts. Mayor DeVecchio will know within one month as to whether the cuts will be phased in and have more information regarding his plans.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Ms. Mercer, seconded by Ms. Miller to adjourn at 10:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Miller, Secretary