



**CITY OF NEWPORT
LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 5, 2021 – 5:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Jo Bailey called the Newport Library Advisory Committee meeting to order at 5:30pm on October 5, 2021.

2. ROLL CALL

Present (4) – Jo Bailey, President; Christina Rahm, Committee Member; Barb Wilcziek, Committee Member; Anita Wasmundt, Committee Member.

Absent (1)- Beverly Bartl, Committee Member.

Others Present- Travis Brierley, Assistant to the City Administrator; Sara-Marie Malewitz, Library & Community Center Coordinator.

President Baily took a moment to welcome Committee Member Barb Wilcziek and Committee Member Anita Wasmundt as new members of the Library Advisory Committee.

3. SECRETARY’S REPORT

Motion by Committee Member Wasmundt to table minutes of the February 25, 2020 meeting.
Second by Committee Member Wilcziek Approved 4-0.

4. LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Coordinator Malewitz shared that we have one new volunteer that specializes in computers, we are constantly looking for volunteers, please encourage friends. Any time of day is available. Coordinator Malewitz attended a volunteer fair at University of St Thomas and has been working to contact other universities to offer volunteer options to their volunteer programs. The library is currently offering four (4) categories of volunteerism: Circulation Volunteers, Program Volunteers, Volunteer Tutors, and Special Project Volunteers.

The library is taking book donations again. We received 2 boxes from Washington County Library a couple weeks ago.

Coordinator Malewitz is excited for October Programing: Craft Pick-up twice a month (Oct 12 & 26) PAWS with Charlie the Therapy Dog is back Tuesdays from 2:30-3:30, History Talk by City Historian Robert Vogel Oct 13, 6:30pm the title is: “Steamboats A Comin,” Pumpkin Painting will be available to household groups in half hour blocks the week of Oct 25-30.

Public Works has put three picnic tables in the side yard on the north side of the building. This area has wi-fi service from the building and may be used for outdoor programming.

November Activities include Volunteerism Open House Nov. 2, Paws every Tuesday, Craft Pick-up the 9th & 23rd. Washington County Library will be bringing an Outdoor Storytime program to Newport Library and Community Center and Basil Loveland Park once a month in each location.

In December the Volunteerism Open House will be the 8th, Craft Pick up will be the 7th, and We will have a Winter Craft Week the week of December 20-23. In place of the Holiday Review we are offering a Holiday Sing-A-Long on the steps of the Library at 1pm on December 11. We will have a New Years Craft available December 30th as is customary.

5. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

6. NEW BUSINESS

The next Library Advisory Committee meeting is November 23, 2021 at 5:30 pm. If there is a change for any reason staff will send updates.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committee Member Wilczek to adjourn the Library Advisory Committee meeting.
Second by Committee Member Wasmundt. Approved 4-0.

The meeting of the Newport Library & Community Center Advisory Board adjourned at 6:27 pm on October 5, 2021.

Sara-Marie Malewitz,
Library & Community Center Coordinator

Jo Bailey
President