

**Town of Howey-in-the-Hills Library Board Meeting
Marianne Beck Memorial Library
112 W. Central Avenue**

Date: November 1, 2018

Call to Order: Chairman Bob Latshaw called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

Attendance: Chairman Bob Latshaw, Member Rosemary Soto, Member Tahsia O'Keefe, Library Director Tara Hall, Howey Town Councilman Ed Conroy, Howey Friends of the Library President JoJo Lowe, Howey Friends of the Library Vice-President Fran Wagler, and also Martha MacFarlane, Audrey Reed, and Jayne Spangler representing Parks and Rec.

Minutes: Meeting minutes of October 4, 2018, were read. Tahsia O'Keefe made the first motion to approve, seconded by Rosemary Soto. Minutes were approved as read.

Library Director's Report: See attached report

New Business:

1. Martha MacFarlane, representing Parks and Rec., discussed the "Landscape Improvement to Library" proposal. Mrs. MacFarlane passed out the plant list recommended to Parks and Rec. by Public Services. Details of exact plants were to be discussed at a later time between Mrs. MacFarlane, Audrey Reed, Jayne Spangler, and Beth Flack. They are moving forward with non-native, but Florida-friendly plants, as native plants will be by Lake Griffin Park. Parks and Rec. will eventually spread the landscaping around the library. Director Hall expressed she would like color and an estimated timeline. Mrs. MacFarlane ended stating that the proposal would be up for approval at their December meeting and that the council would need to approve their annual professional maintenance budget needs in order to continue with the project.
2. Director Hall attended the Annual Florida Public Library Directors Meeting in Tampa from October 23-24, 2018. The state of Florida is cancelling a large contract with the company OCLC in June of 2019. It was mentioned that the state may also reinstate an interlibrary loan program. Director Hall passed around other city/county library materials for ideas on programs our library can implement.
3. The library will be closed on Veteran's Day, Monday, November 12; on Thanksgiving Day, November 22 through Saturday, November 24; on Christmas Eve, December 24, and on Christmas Day, December 25; on New Year's Day, January 1.

Old Business:

1. For the Town Wide Yard Sale, the library will continue to allow the public to set up a table for a donation of \$5.00 to the Howey Friends of the Library. Already the library has 6 spots reserved with more people interested.
2. Christmas Festival Updates: Howey Friends of the Library have yet to decide whether to advertise in the festival program. The silent auction of both baked goods and artwork will be conducted all day with winners announced at the end of the evening. The ugly sweater contest will be held Friday evening at the library. Town Hall is unsure if they will be open on Friday, December 14, to host story time.

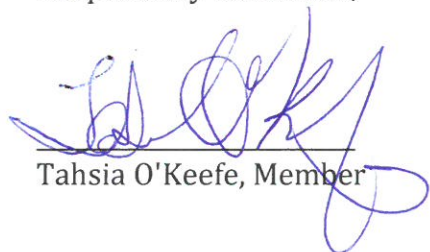
Next meeting: December 6, 2018 at 7 p.m.

UPDATE: Due to scheduling conflicts, meeting was rescheduled for January 17, 2019 at 7 p.m.

Public comments: none

Motion to adjourn was made by Rosemary Soto and seconded by Tahsia O'Keefe.
Vote to adjourn passed at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tahsia O'Keefe, Member



Bob Latshaw, Chairman