

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

**Date:** July 2, 2020

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Chairperson Jim Steele.

**Attendance:** Board members: Tara Hall, Jim Steele, Tahsia O'Keefe, Rosemary Soto, Marcia Schneider.  
Also in attendance: JoJo Lowe, President of Friends of the Library, Fran Wagler, Vice President of Friends of the Library, and Vicki Steele from the community.

**Minutes:** Minutes were read. Motion to approve them as reads was made by T. O'Keefe. Seconded by R. Soto. Voted approved.

**Library Director's Report:** See attached report.

**New Business:**

Discussion regarding a projector and screen for the new addition: Director Hall presented some search results and specs. It was decided that the information should be reviewed by someone with knowledge of the performance specifications. T. O'Keefe volunteered to have a nephew in the field look at them.

The Board reviewed the fund disbursements from the County Library system. There was discussion how to increase interest and circulation of materials. One idea was to create book bags with labeled themes containing pre-selected books and/or other media.

Tara announced she had received several WWI posters from the Smithsonian and would like to have them framed. She posed the request to the Friends of the Library. The request fits with intent and purpose of the Friends for supplying educational materials not in the Library budget.

Updates regarding the new addition:

The tables and chairs have been ordered. Usual delivery takes 6-10 weeks. An October date is the projection for officially opening the new section. Should the furniture come early provision has been made for temporary storage through J. Ernest,

On the major purchase list with the audio visual equipment is a refrigerator and microwave. These needs were presented to the Friends of the Library. Also a plaque with the opening date, and names of library board members and/or mayor and council members and/or others as the Board is not sure at this time.

**Old Business:**

The Summer Reading Program will be ending on August 5<sup>th</sup> Thirty kids entered into the program. School starts August 10. Prizes will be supplied by the Friends of the Library.

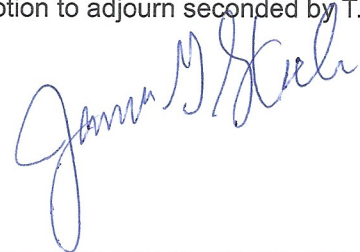
**Public Comments:** F. Wagler, J. Lowe and V. Steele all contributed tot he discussions.

Adjournment: With no further items presented for discussion R. Soto made a motion to adjourn seconded by T. O'Keefe. With no objections the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marcia Schneider*

Marcia Schneider, Secretary  
(electronically signed)



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