# Call to Order

Treasurer Donna Robillard called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. at the Atlanta Branch of the Montmorency County Public Library.

Board Members Present (in alphabetical order): Mary Burek, Donna Robillard, Robin Smiley and Pat West

Board Members Absent (in alphabetical order): Patt Hopkins

County Commissioner: Don Edwards

Staff Members Present: Lori Haas —Director,

Others present: none

# **Approval of Agenda**

**Robin Smiley made the motion to add Election of Officers to the agenda, after the approval of agenda, Pat West seconded, All in favor, motion carried.**

**Election of Officers**

**Robin Smiley made the motion to open nominations for officers, Pat West seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Robin Smiley nominated Donna Robillard for President, she accepted. Donna Robillard nominated Mary Burek as treasurer, she accepted. Pat West made the motion to close nominations, Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, Motion carried. Robin Smiley made the motion to accept the slate of candidates, Donna Robillard seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

# **Approval of Bills**

**Donna Robillard made the motion to accept the bills as presented, Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

# **Minutes to Meeting**

**Donna Robillard made the motion to accept the minutes from September 11, 2018, Robin Smiley seconded. Three yeas, one abstain, due to not being present at that meeting,**

**motion carried.**

**Public Comment**

none

**Old Business**

Lakeshore Heating sent a discounted, bid for the Hillman furnace, they were able to get a discount from their supplier RA Townsend of 15% on equipment for a public building. Their bid was $7250, discounted $6680. They were the only company that sent a bid.

**Robin Smiley made the motion to accept the bid of $6680 from Lakeshore Heating and Cooling to replace the non functioning furnace at the Hillman Library. Pat West seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**New Business**

The Director presented the budget for 2019 for comments, penal fines are down this year substantially. There are a few unknowns, health insurance is just a best guess until updates come out later. There is a raise in the line for Librarians, in case the board decided to provide raises in January 2019, telephone will go down when the Library moves to VOIP. Equipment should go down with the new copiers and a lower maintenance rate, repair and maintenance should go down with the new furnace in Hillman.

**Donna Robillard made the motion to accept the budget as proposed for the year 2019, Mary Burek seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Directors Report**

Plans for Halloween are moving along with the Stop and Go Party, stop have food, nachos, candy bars, pick up books, comics, coloring books, etc. and go to the next place. The patrons look forward to this every year at all three branches.

Fall fest in Lewiston was a huge success, there were 500 ticket holders, kids got to enjoy all the festivities, candy, a free pumpkin, horse drawn hayrides, crafts, food, sponsored by the Library, a group of downtown businesses, FoLL, etc. Community members donated the candy, cases of candy, next year we will plan on 325-350 kids.

There are three adult painting classes on going at the three branches.

Brooke our mental health worker is working out well, she helped get the candy bags packed and also helped work that day unloading crafts at Fall Fest.

The Librarians reports:

Tina from Hillman reports: Good Afternoon. We are settling into Fall. Our book sale has been packed up, and this year we have made $356. This not bad considering that we sold the books for $1.00 a bag. Since last report we had a couple of unusual circumstances here. We had a supervised visitation with a state agency, and they brought the children into the Library with possible head lice. I then had the pleasure of treating all the areas that they were in after they left. The same day I found evidence that kids were on our roof again! Just another crazy day in Hillman... On a positive note, Kathy Campbell has volunteered to do some much needed upkeep on our front landscaping /garden. She has been pruning and piling, then Keith comes and hauls it away with the truck. We have been proctoring exams. Last week we had 4 scheduled. Our new copy/printer.. is working great. It seems to be a lot smarter than us! Everyday we are discovering something new. We have an afterschool Halloween craft planned for the kids on the 9th with the adult painting on the 11th. There is a new book club that meets at the Library on the first Wednesday of the month. This month they had 5 members, attending. This is kind of exciting because someone has finally taking the initiative and it seems to be a go! (so far...). We are looking forward to Halloween.

Have a great day!

Andrea from Atlanta reports: The kids drawing , a basket of Library items was won by a little girl and her brother won the t-shirt on September 1. They were tickled. I gave out 2 boxes of books at Elk Fest on Saturday September 29. The chamber set up a table under the Elk Pole, which worked out very well. I was only there for an hour and then it started raining. One of the chamber members helped me pack up. Wendy started story hour at the school on October 3. The Great Start Program.

Wendy from Lewiston reports: Good Afternoon Ladies. We have had a very busy September with Fall Fest happening this weekend. We received a quote on the siding and will check with the Township and the "Friends" for the funds. A few of our snowbirds are heading South for the winter. A few parents have signed their children up for a story hour that will be starting in October. As the school year progresses we hope more kids will join the fun. Getting ready for Halloween this week and getting into the shed to organize. Card class is still going great with a waiting list for every one. Thanksgiving cards will be made this month. We also have an art class Lori is hosting this month. Our class here was filled up within two days. The Ladies in town love these classes and are already waiting for the Christmas craft date. LOL

It was a very busy summer that went by way to fast.

The Director confirmed we have about $2500 in the Library fund at the Township to be used towards new siding.

The Library is also looking for another part time employee for the Hillman Library, ad is in the Tribune.

# **Next Meeting Scheduled**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at Atlanta Branch, 1pm.

**Adjournment**

**Motion made by Robin Smiley to adjourn, at 2:00pm. Donna Robillard seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Smiley

accepted 11-13-2018