Minutes for Friends of TPML Chapter Meeting—June 14, 2021

Attendees: Arthur Williams, Terry Evans, Ruddell Moss, Mary Gatchell, Diane Joppie, Jo Ann Duffy, Beth Jameson, Doris Roberts, Darlene Wallace,

Meeting came to order at 11:20am; Art Williams presiding.

President's Report: Art welcomed the new board members and attendees. The past year was very tough for Friends and his goal is to revitalize and invigorate our programs, contributions and efforts through diligence and group teamwork.

Friends will participate in the organization and management of this year's Big Give event, which is the season's largest fundraiser.

Art will meet with TPML management to discuss and develop a program for designation and acknowledgement of Friends' monetary contributions to the library. Perhaps a plaque should be struck in recognition of Friends' contribution for the Storybook Trail.

The Little Free Library at Ace Hardware needs follow-up.

Membership Report: Jo Ann reported that this year's membership drive is well underway. To date, there are 50 new members, including one lifetime member, and 56 renewal members for a total of 106 members. There is concern for the low percentage of renewals (approximately 1/3 of the 154 members in 2020) and she will be sending renewal letters by mail soon.

Fundraising Report: Doris submitted an extensive list of proposed fundraising events for the year. Tickets are on sale through July 29th for the Summer Skies Telescope Raffle which is advertised on Facebook and at the TPML front desk.

The annual Friends Book Sale will be August 26-28. Books need not be individually priced; they will sell for $10/per bag. We will discuss the possibility of adding accessories, raffles, wine & cheese to the event.

November was chosen for the Craft Sale, date to be determined.

Fundraising events will be discussed as a group at the next meeting of the Friends Board.

Next Meeting: Next meeting of the Board will be June 28th at 11:00am.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.

Minutes by: Terry Evans, Secretary