

**Minutes of General Meeting FRVPL  
Friday, June 5, 2015**

**Attending:**

Pat Sobrero  
Ed TePas  
Carol Borden  
Lew Chichester  
Michael Mills  
Josh Bennett  
John Lanham  
Sally Brown  
Genevieve Middleton  
Mary Jane Cummings  
Isabelle LeMieux  
Mary Lou Mileck  
Madeleine Shepherd  
Michael Shepherd  
Ernie Racitte  
Mary Jane Racitte

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm.

May minutes were approved.

**Landscaping:** Genevieve:

A plan was presented. The first thing the landscaping committee wants to do is determine where to run the electricity and water lines.

Proposed is:

- A vegetative border along Perry St to the west and Greeley St to the south. This would deter vehicles from pulling up into the park.
- Locked bollards on north side, along Howard St. between the radio station and the patio that will have a locked, removable access to drive to the back door of the kitchen and the propane tank.
- Perry St, with the approval of the county, would be changed to one lane, one way going south and the east side of the park would have angle parking along it.
- Some fruit trees in an area where fruit drop wouldn't be a problem, such as the south east corner.
- Various trees with benches around them
- A gazebo.
- There have been requests for a basket material garden and a butterfly garden. and an emphasis on native and drought resistant plantings.

**Budget:** Lew:

A budget for 2015 is overdue. We have been operating on the previous budget, so it needs to be reviewed. A committee consisting of Lew, Carol and Isabelle will meet Tuesday, June 9 at 1pm. Also to be discussed is the landscape plan and building issues.

**KYBU: Lew:**

There will be a free concert Wednesday, June 24 at 7pm.

**Library report: Josh:**

Each week in May, we welcomed school groups into the Library for tours and a read-aloud. In addition, students received Summer Reading Punchcards and were encouraged to participate in Summer Reading events this summer. Groups were consistently well-behaved and excited to be in the library. Our first summer reading event is on Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup>.

A new piece of hardware has been installed at our branch: the self check-out terminal. It is very easy to use and will relieve some of the pressure during busy afternoons. Patrons can check out books, review account information, and renew books at this terminal. Requests must be done at a catalogue computer and DVDs must be checked out with library staff.

We have a new Facebook page. Please visit it and “like” it. [facebook.com/Round Valley Public Library](https://facebook.com/RoundValleyPublicLibrary)

A few improvements were made this month to help patrons easily navigate the library. New signs have been installed in the DVD and Children’s sections as well as near the catalogue computer. Thanks to Michael Mills for continuing the library’s tradition of classy signs and interpretive materials.

The Library Advisory Board met in the commons on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was catered by Izzy and featured coffee by our very own Tao Ren Coffee roasters. Earlier that day, Friends of the RVPL volunteers spent a few morning hours weed eating, sweeping, vacuuming, and dusting the Library grounds. By noon, the Library Commons looks terrific.

**Coming up:**

Lynn Zachreson will be removing her paintings from the Library on July 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:00am. They will travel that day to the coast for an Art show in Mendocino.

A new educational display is in the works. The subject is “what you can do with paper.” It will be installed this coming Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>.

A request was approved for a new rolling cart for the library, to be constructed out of wood by Garrett Neudeck.

**Coffee shop: Madeleine and Michael:**

Paperback Café will have a “sneak-a-peek” test run on Saturday, June 6. They will be giving away samples of coffee and baked goods. Opening day is Tuesday, June 9.

**Insurance: Lew:**

Our coverage needs to be reviewed, since our functions have changes since we first obtained insurance. We are no longer building constructors, we are public building operators. Alcohol servers at our events each need a certificate, which can be done with on line training. The Blackberry Festival's insurance is carried by the sewer district.

**Building report:** Isabelle:

The rentals have been going well.

The window in the kitchen was smashed, but there was no entry so nothing was stolen, just a mess to clean up. We will investigate installing security cameras.

The hole in the street by the sidewalk outside the community room has been patched.

Isabelle will be gone until the middle of July and Blaire Ladd will be taking over her duties during that time.

Isabelle is taking more responsibility at the farmers market. She has gotten a county permit for \$56 and vendors are registered and monies are now collected on behalf of the Friends. Vendors are charged on a sliding scale, with a \$5 fee for one time use and up to \$20 for the season.

**Friends office:** Lew:

There is now ducting in the office for air circulation.

**Smoking issue:** John Lanham:

There needs to be better signage around the building to remind people not to smoke within 20 feet of the doors, as per Statewide Smoke-Free Entryway Law, AB 846, which pertains to publically owned or leased buildings. Michael will work on that.

**Meeting adjourned some time after 6, like maybe 6:30 or so.**

**Next meeting: July 10 at 5pm.**

Submitted by Carol Borden, Secretary FRVPL