

**Woman's Round Lake Improvement Society
Minutes of November 21, 2024 Membership Meeting**

Attendance

Jenn Flannery, Tim Lesar, Maggie McDonough, Nancy Theissen, Lauren Zell, Anne Collins, Donna Donato, Rob Faivre, Rachel Garrison, Merry Haydon, Steve Haydon, Sue Lesar, Carol Lyte, Damon Morrell, Krissy Morrell, Margie Rector, Danielle Rigney, Danielle Rigney, Jackie Rush, Dick Theissen

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jenn Flannery at 7:05pm.

Review of Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes. A motion to approve the minutes of October 17, 2024 was made by Maggie McDonough. Nancy Theissen seconded. The motion passed with 4 abstentions.

****attached***

Correspondence – Norma Spallholz sent a thank you note for the flowers that WRLIS sent in memory of Lance. Maggie sent a thank you note to Jay Tucker for his recent donation. WRLIS received a donation from friends of Amy's at the Montessori School in memory of Amy Brader Leach.

Treasurer's Report – Tim presented the Treasurer's report. ****report attached***

At the last meeting, it was decided to keep the project account open as a placeholder for other special projects since we have checks for that account. Tim was informed by the bank that we have to make 1 transaction per year to keep the account active.

Trustees Report – Sue and Tim Lesar made a donation to the Library in memory of Lance Spallholz. It has been credited to the Honor and Remembrance fund. The new security system and hardwired smoke and CO2 detectors have been installed. If the smoke detectors go off, the security monitoring company is notified. ****report attached***

Committee Reports

Buildings: Scott reported that several small repairs are needed at Clark House. He will meet with Jason Sheppard on Thursday to review them. Scott would like someone to take over the Building Committee.

Grounds: Leaves have been raked. Snow melt and shovel are ready when needed.

Improvements: Merry Haydon presented some improvement projects for 2025: restoring the Library signs on Asbury and Fletcher, highlighting the lettering on the Round Lake sign at Victorian Landings, pulling invasive weeds – garlic mustard and bittersweet. Ballston Spa Home and Garden Club is available to come and pull weeds for 2 hours. Steve and Merry Haydon pulled weeds from the sidewalk along Curry Road from Victorian Landings to Dunkin' Donuts.

Molly Stammel and Sean Rigney are working on the pet memorial

Website: no report.

Membership: Maggie has been going door-to-door to deliver membership forms.

Festivals: no report

Old Business:

Book on Round Lake: Scott reported that Ron Kase has the first 8 chapters drafted. The cover photo has been chosen. Publication is projected for Summer 2025 or later.

Library Gallery: The November exhibit has works by Annika Nerf, Terry Conrad, Kim Sheridan Dugmore, Sana Muir. Contact Mue Ziegler if you would like to exhibit your work.

Victorian Landings entryway landscaping: Margie reported that the animals that have been eating the plants will hopefully be deterred by the herbs that have been planted. The landscaper, Doug Smalley, will be asked to install a snow barrier around the plantings to keep road salt from coating the plants. Margie clarified that after the Dept of Transportation completed the entryway walls and sign, they turned it over to the Village, so they are not responsible for restoring the lettering on the sign.

Giving Tree: Nancy reported that all the gift tags were taken. Gifts must be returned to the Community Room by November 27.

New Business:

2025 WRLIS Budget: Tim Lesar present the proposed budget, outlining the changes from the 2024 budget. The budget will be voted on at the December meeting.

Artificial Christmas Trees: WRLIS has 2 artificial Christmas trees for sale. One is \$30, the other (with a wonky base) is \$20. Contact Nancy Theissen.

Auditorium Ornaments: There are approximately 100 ornaments depicting the Auditorium façade. These were acquired years ago as a fundraiser for the Auditorium. Cost per ornament is \$5. Proceeds go to AP3. They will be available at Holiday Markets (Nov 22) or contact Nancy Theissen.

Cookie cRumble coordinator: Krissy Morrell will not be able to organize Cookie cRumble in 2025. The event is usually held in March or April. Contact any member of the WRLIS board if you are interested in organizing the event in 2025.

Neighborhood Reports:

Victorian Landings: The collection of gifts for the women at Booth Home (Schenectady Woman's Shelter) was successful. Victorian Landings holiday dinner will be held at Lakeridge on December 3. Future events include the wine club, paint & sip (lighted bottles) and book club. Contact Margie Rector for more information on any of these events.

Griffin's Ridge: no report

Scott moved to adjourn.