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**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN OF LADY LAKE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE LADY LAKE LIBRARY BOARD
LADY LAKE, FLORIDA**

**April 13, 2017
4:00 p.m.**

9 The Lady Lake Library Board Meeting was held in the Town Hall Commission Chambers at 409
10 Fennell Blvd., Lady Lake, Florida. The meeting convened at 4:02 p.m.

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12 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Member Joseph D’Elia, Member Dorothy Grubb and Member Doc
13 Jones.

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15 **ABSENT:** Chairperson/Member Reverend Paul Harsh, Vice Chairperson/Member James Page, and
16 Lake County Library Advisory Board Representative Frank Kirschenheiter.

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18 **TOWN STAFF PRESENT:** Marsha Brinson, Library Director; and Carol Osborne, Staff
19 Assistant to the Town Clerk

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21 **OTHERS PRESENT:** Commissioner Ruth Kussard

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23 **CALL TO ORDER:** Acting Chairperson Dorothy Grubb called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

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25 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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27 **INVOCATION:** Acting Chairperson Grubb asked for a moment of silence.

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29 **INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER:** New board member Richard “Doc” Jones
30 introduced himself, and Acting Chairperson Grubb stated she is very happy to have him on the
31 Library Board.

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33 **OPEN FORUM:** There were no comments from the audience.

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35 **REPORT BY CHAIR:** No report.

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37 **REPORT BY TOWN COMMISSION LIAISON:** Commissioner Kussard reported the Lady
38 Lake Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday April 8th and there were approximately 1,500-2,000
39 visitors; it looked to be a great success. She reported the planned improvements to the second floor
40 of the library are moving forward. The Town’s canine officer, Gangster, had to retire due to health
41 reasons and the Police Chief is looking for another canine with drug and tracking abilities. The new
42 orthopedic center known as Unova Health on Rolling Acres Road is reaching completion with an
43 anticipated opening date in May. It is a full-service orthopedic center including an in-house
44 imaging center that consists of MRI, CT scan, digital x-rays, ultrasound equipment, a physical
45 therapy center, pharmacy, lab, wellness center and urgent care.

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47 Member Jones stated the Easter Egg Hunt was wonderful. He stated it was very well organized, and
48 thanked the Kiwanis Club for their donation of the plastic Easter eggs and Parks and Recreation
49 Director Mike Burske for a great event.

1 Commissioner Kussard agreed the Town's Parks and Recreation Department does a great job with
2 the Easter Egg Hunt.

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4 Member Jones stated his past experience is in various positions in education and knows those types
5 of events are very difficult to put on.

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7 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** February 9, 2017

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9 *Upon a motion by Member D'Elia and a second by Member Jones, the Lady Lake Library Board*
10 *approved the minutes of the February 9, 2017 regular meeting as presented by an all in favor of*
11 *3-0.*

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13 **REPORT BY LAKE COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:** No
14 report.

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16 **REPORT BY LIBRARY DIRECTOR:**

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18 Ms. Brinson reviewed highlights of the Library Director's Report for April 2017. The report was
19 handed out and is as follows, along with last minute updates:

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21 *Spring at the Lady Lake Library brings a flurry of activity in both the Youth and Adult libraries. On*
22 *the youth side of things, the summer reading programs planning is complete from programs and*
23 *entertainers to our end of the summer party. Reading is a vital part of our children's summer so*
24 *they do not go through the "summer slump" and lose the progress from the previous school year.*
25 *Sign-ups start on May 8th.*

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27 *Ms. Brinson stated a new program added this summer is a truck rodeo. The Public Works*
28 *department will have a dump truck, a bucket truck and other equipment to allow the children to*
29 *have a hands-on experience. The Police Department always sponsors a bike rodeo and gives away*
30 *bikes and helmets. She stated the Town of Lady Lake employees have always been very generous*
31 *with their time.*

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33 *Ms. Brinson reported plans for the two-week computer coding camp that will be held in conjunction*
34 *with Lake County Economic Council has not been finalized. This camp will be available for*
35 *children ages 8-14; they will learn scratch programming and coding, and the kids will create their*
36 *own video game.*

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38 *Ms. Brinson advised she is reassigning staff due to one youth services associate leaving. She stated*
39 *Nicole does a fantastic job of providing quality programs for children, including story times, craft*
40 *classes, homework help and homeschool programs. She has worked very hard at creating a great*
41 *collection for the children. She will soon be getting some well-deserved help as Aly Herman will be*
42 *moving to the Youth Library. Aly has experience in working with children and is very creative, as*
43 *well as being a "techie" and will teach a lot of the computer classes.*

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45 *Our new hire, LeeAnn Elkins will start soon. She will be taking Aly's place in the adult library.*
46 *LeeAnn comes to us with years of library circulation experience. She is also very creative and will*
47 *be able to offer some new programs and help with eReaders and computer issues. She will also*
48 *assist with displays to help make our library a welcoming space.*

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1 *We will also have a Summer Reading Program for adults to include a “Book Bingo” and a drawing*
2 *for a winner of a gift card. We continue our regular programs and classes and look forward to*
3 *LeeAnn’s ideas. Nancy’s two book discussion groups are always well attended and Nancy does a*
4 *great job. Lori Sadler does many computer classes and also gives individual help for those who*
5 *need assistance with eReaders or their computers. Beth Gobeil just completed a major weeding*
6 *project and the collection looks great. Ms. Brinson stated the library features different displays*
7 *each month; as always, our book displays empty on a regular basis. This month, “Women of*
8 *Mystery” are being featured (female mystery authors), as well as spring colored books - pink,*
9 *green, and yellow to match the floral decorations. These displays bring some hidden treasures to*
10 *light and they fly off the shelves. Also on display are the larger coffee table books.*

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12 *With the Town’s approval, we will also be able to paint and have new flooring put down. Our*
13 *Friends of the Library organization has generously offered to purchase a new circulation desk and*
14 *more seating for the area. We also took part in the Town’s annual Easter Egg Hunt. We had an*
15 *easy game for the kids to play and gave out candy and library information. Along with our other*
16 *outreach programs, this is a great way to reach the community.*

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18 *Ms. Brinson stated the Youth Services Coordinator is developing some teen programs such as a life*
19 *skills class; i.e., how to write a check correctly. Interview skills will also be included in this*
20 *program and a small job fair will take place with local business to discuss possible employment.*
21 *This will be for teens ages 15 and older.*

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23 *Ms. Brinson reported the Little Free Library is an international organization that was started by a*
24 *gentleman to honor his mother who had been a teacher and a librarian. She stated this woman*
25 *always worked in schools and libraries where there were underserved populations, and she loved to*
26 *give out books, especially to children. Ms. Brinson explained the Little Free Library are kiosks that*
27 *hold books for anyone to take at no charge, and the Lady Lake Friends of the Library has*
28 *purchased a kiosk for the Town. It will be registered on the Little Free Library website,*
29 *www.littlefreelibrary.org, where there is a map showing the location of the Lady Lake Little Free*
30 *Library. The kiosk will be located at the Log Cabin Park near the Chamber of Commerce.*

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32 *Member Grubb asked if the books for the Little Free Library are donated for this purpose.*

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34 *Ms. Brinson replied that the books are donated from the book sale room. The Friends of the*
35 *Library receive many donated books throughout the year.*

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37 **OLD BUSINESS:** No report.

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39 **NEW BUSINESS:** No report.

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41 **ADJOURN:** *With no further business or discussion, Acting Chairperson Grubb adjourned the*
42 *meeting at 4:22 p.m.*

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47 Carol Osborne, Staff Assistant to Town Clerk

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47 Dr. Paul Harsh, Chairperson

48 Minutes transcribed by Carol Osborne, Staff Assistant to the Town Clerk