

**LGAA Monthly Meeting, April 11, 2018**  
**Wilma Cowan Building**

Persons present were: Shelley Horton, Stuart Horton, Jennifer Henson, Betty Perkins, John Coday, Virginia Bayless, Jerry Yates, Roxann Yates, Kelly Palmer, Marea Breedlove, Pamela Quantie, and Ian Hutchison.

**News:** No public announcement can be made at this time but we have heard that we have been granted The Big Read Grant for an amount of \$14,475. This is a grant that was requested by the school for us to apply for. The Big Read Scheduled events to be done by the school and LGAA are to happen in 2019. More details to come.

Ed Long has been in touch. All things are moving forward. There has been a letter submitted to the CRESAP organization. There is a chance of meeting the May deadline for the Mayor Grant. If we wish to try to make that deadline, Ed will help to get things together for it. The monies from that grant would go toward the fixing of the VFW Hall for the creativity hub.

**Treasurer's Report:** Deposits for the report were: utilities from the Chamber of Commerce for \$283.26, Dues from Hortons and Quantie for \$60, and Ads for amounts of \$164.00 and \$16. We also had a donation of \$150 for work done by Kelly Palmer. Debits were: ONG - \$54.80, LG PWA - \$66.60, PSO - \$50.78, and Melissa McClendon - \$100 for the LGUE Stories. Our beginning balance was \$5176.74 and the ending balance at report time was \$5573.82. Betty reported that there are other ads that have been sold and others are still in the process so the deposit has not been made just yet.

**Founder's Day:** Pam Quantie will be the person in charge at the VFW Hall for Founder's Day events. She has designated others to do some of the work and announced that Virginia Bayless has agreed to help out with the running of things that day. Roxann will be in charge of things in the Wilma Cowan Building but will also be working in Wonder City Coffee so she will not be there at all times. Jennifer is taking care of the vender form to turn in for both places. There was discussion of the many things that will be taking place that day. One of those things is the display of the ideas/entries for the pocket park design. There has been a donation of many flower bulbs that can be used or are to be used in the pocket park. Virginia said that she thought that she would be able to store them until time to plant them. Ian announced that he had talk to someone about possible additional funding to be used for the pocket park. We may hear more on that at a later time.

**Other events:** Wordfest is happening this weekend, the 14th of April. It will be going on at Wonder city Coffee and will include a pastry contest and a word art contest where people are encouraged to write some kind of poetry on the back wall of Wonder City Coffee. These will be judged and there will be prizes.

**Requests:** It was requested that everyone be thinking of ideas on how we might can get the empty buildings on main street filled. Kelly has talked to the owners but has had no real luck getting anywhere. Any ideas of how to go about this are appreciated.

**Motion to adjourn by Kelly and 2nd by Pam. Adjourned.**

Next meeting to be Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at the Wilma Cowan Building