Library Board Meeting Frank Bertetti Benld Public Library Wednesday, May 8, 2024

President Jerri Bayse called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, 2024.

Roll Call: Present – Trustees Jerri Bayse, Bill Bertetto, Norman Emmons, Dona Hubert, Stacy Jarman, Vickie Laughlin, Cindy Saracco, and Librarian Mary Newman. Absent: Denise Cadmus and Don Chapman. There were no guests.

Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Trustee Hubert made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 10, 2024 meeting; second by Trustee Jarman. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Trustee Saracco made a motion to approve the April 2024 Finance Report; second by Trustee Bertetto. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report: (Full report may be viewed on file.). Librarian Newman reported that she wants the Board to consider changing the library's phone/internet service from Frontier to Madison. Madison has lowered their fees for businesses. Frontier service has not been very good. This item is on the agenda for further discussion. She also reported that the Candle program was cancelled due to a lack of registration. Additionally, 8 people participated in a free craft program and there will be a sour dough program on May 18th. Summer Programs will start on Wednesday, May 29th. Janine Fassero wants to have a Basket Raffle for the Summer Programs. The Mobile DMV served 23 people. Our SHARE (circulation) fees for FY 25 will be \$1700. This includes SHARE, the Cloud Library and a new online catalog program titled Aspen. We will pay \$125 more for all three services. Lastly, due to the poor delivery service offered by the USPS, Mary will be texting Board Members when library meeting documents are ready to be picked up. To be clear, documents will no longer be mailed. Trustee Laughlin made a motion to accept the Librarian's report; second by Trustee Bayse. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: No reports were given

City Liaison and Trustee, Norm Emmons had nothing related to the library to report. However, he did discuss the city's broken tornado siren. He intends to bring up this matter at the next City Council meeting.

Continued Business: (a) Amore Fundraiser: Trustee Saracco suggested two possible dates in September – Thursday, September 12th or Thursday, September 19th. Mary will contact John Baggio to confirm a date.

New Business: (a) Internet/Phone Provider: After a brief discussion, the following motion was made. Trustee Bertetto made a motion to change the library's internet/phone provider from Frontier's current plan to Madison's 300M x 30M for \$149.85 per month; second by Trustee Bayse. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Our Frontier contract does not end until August 8th.

Items for Next Agenda - Grant update; Amore Fundraiser; Internet/Phone update.

Trustee Emmons made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Trustee Jarman. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:25p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Cindy Saracco, Secretary