

Tri-Township Public Library
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes
December 4, 2012

Vice-President Lindsay called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Roll Call: Elson, Huck, Little, Scheller, Perrine and Lindsay. Absent: Ashcraft.
Present from the public were Vicky Hart, Jonathan Walling, Julia Walling, Norma Mendoza
(Times-Tribune reporter) and Norma Sidener.

Input of Agenda Items: Board-none
Public-none

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by ~~Scheller~~ and seconded by Little to accept the regular minutes of the October 2nd, 2012 meeting as presented.

Ayes: Huck, Little, Scheller, ; and Lindsay. Abstain: Elson and Perrine.
Absent: Ashcraft.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Scheller to accept the regular minutes of the November 6th, 2012 meeting as presented.

Ayes: Huck, Scheller and Lindsay. Abstain: Elson, Little and Perrine.
Absent: Ashcraft.

Done
Again
1/9/13

Treasurer's Report: Everything is looking good. One hundred thousand dollars has been transferred from Checking into the General Holding and the report from the accountant is not in as the bank statement has not come in yet from the bank.

Director's Report: November was a big program month with library tours from grade schools, and scouts, as well as story times, stuffed animal sleepover, Illinois family read night, Lego club, Animanga, 8th grade web tools class, After school science and 6th grade Maniac Magee Day. Other Items are on the agenda and statistics are attached.

Maintenance: Windows have been tabled but Director highly recommended looking into replacements after a new director is hired and when other projects are completed.

Snow Removal: Scott of Complete Concrete was our snow removal person and had given us the same rate as Terry Taake (former removal person) had given us but it is not Complete Concrete anymore, it is now Remington properties and Ryan Butler is handling the snow removal. They are going to continue to service at the same rate, but Director has not gotten anything verbal or in writing, so Jean Sagovac is looking into getting confirmation from them.

Communications: Letter from Mr. Eastman stating he is working on the Madison County Board of Review hearing. We also received another letter from the Board of Review, which Mr. Eastman is aware of and he is taking care of it for us.

Old Business: 106 West oak Street- Jonathan's Scout Troop 226 has constructed the raised planter, concrete has been poured and the ground cleaned up. The pergola is to be installed tomorrow. Jonathan needs to check with Neal Plumbing on the fountain. There is a meter from the home, so we will not have to run line from the library building. Director told him to spend for a handicapped water fountain only with a spigot. He will need to get more aggregate from Collinsville Fuel and Ice. Director will go with Julia to get more. Jonathan will come in under his budget so Director said that would be fine. There was discussion about donations and Lindsay advised Jonathan to make a list after project is completed so letters of thanks can be sent to donors. Jonathan also mentioned that plaques could be put on benches for a donation of one hundred, two hundred, and other amounts to offset cost. He said that after all is done, he still needs to be voted on by the National Boy Scout Board to receive his Eagle award.

Monthly reminder re: OMA online training. The three people who are running will need to redo it after elected, and will be good for all six years of their trusteeship. Director also told board there is a new rule in 2013 that all libraries have to belong to a full library system. We are a full member in Heartland, and must register with the State on January 2, 2013 through March 31st, 2013. If not registered through the State libraries, we will not be eligible for grants.

Accessibility Improvement Project: progress- There is a small issue with a portion of the walkway. They thought that this section was a public owned area but discovered the library owns it, so they have to go back to the contractor, Holsher Engineering. When they receive a price they will get back with the library. Leave project on agenda for next month.

Elson will be doing the agenda in the absence of a Director.

Director search- progress: the committee has advertised in the Times Tribune, St. Louis Post Dispatch, Illinois Library Association web site, Monsters. Com., Heartland Library District, with ads to appear thru Dec. 12th, 2012. They have received seven applications, two of which seem to be good possibilities.

New Business: Proposed consultant agreement- the Director has proposed to the Board that she would be willing to contract with them for a consultation fee, to be available to them and staff if questions arise that she could help them with as needed. She would be paid ten dollars per phone call or ten dollars per e-mail. She would do this until new director is hired and then would renegotiate if they needed further assistance from her. A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Perrine to accept the Director's proposal until new director is hired and then renegotiate a new proposal with her.

Ayes: Elson, Huck, Little, Perrine, Scheller and Lindsay.

Absent: Ashcraft.

Closed Session: none

Announcements and adjournment: there were no announcements, so the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.