Library Board Meeting

Frank Bertetti Benld Public Library

**Wednesday, March 13, 2024**

President Jerri Bayse called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2024.

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

**Trustee Cadmus made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 14, 2024 meeting; second by Trustee Hubert. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**

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

**Librarian’s Report**: (Full report may be viewed on file.). Librarian Newman reported that eclipse glasses are available. She is going to open the library at 9:00am on April 8th and close the inside from 11am – 2pm in order to have a viewing party. Summer programs have been planned which will include performers, crafts, and Legos. An adult craft is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19th. Preschool Story Time will be held on March 14th at 10am. The Easter Bunny is scheduled to make appearances on March 23 and 28 from 10am – 10:30am. Mayor Kelley informed Librarian Newman that the library was eligible to apply for the Energy Transition Community Grant Program which helps taxing bodies recoup lost tax revenue resulting from the mine closure. She has submitted a letter indicating that the library intends to apply for the grant. Also, bar codes will have to be put on the outside of all books because the library system is going to purchase a new automatic sorter that will help push books through more quickly. Finally, the County is conducting a Broadband survey. There is a link on the Library Facebook page. **Trustee Chapman made a motion to accept the Librarian’s report; second by Trustee Hubert. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**

**Committee Reports**: No reports were given

**City Liaison and Trustee, Norm Emmons** reported that he spoke with attorney Rick Verticchio regarding the Remmert Trust. Rick said that if we have filled out all paperwork requested, we should be hearing something sometime this summer.

**Continued** **Business**: (a) Investments: Trustee Saracco reported that Trustee Laughlin met with our financial consultant Greg Craine who purchased for the library an $18,000 CD at 4.850% interest. This CD will come due on 12/01/25. He also purchased a $35,000 CD at 5.000% interest that will come due on 08/27/25.

(b) Bunco: Trustee Saracco reported that everything is pretty well set for Bunco on April 7th. Tickets have been printed and can be picked up for sale from Mary. Fliers are also available if anyone wants to take one for advertising purposes. John Baggio is planning a snack for intermission. More than likely it will include a sandwich this time. Also, newspapers have been notified about the Bunco. Members are asked to be at Amore by 1:00pm since doors open at 1:30pm.

**New Business:** (a) Statement of Economic Interest – Everyone must complete this. It can be completed online if members do not wish to fill out the paper forms. (b) Energy Transition Community Grant – This was discussed earlier in the Librarian’s Report.

**Items for Next Agenda** – Grant update; Bunco Fundraiser Results

**Trustee Bertetto made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Trustee Jarman. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 5:40p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Saracco, Secretary