

Bethalto Public Library District Board Meeting

December 9, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Shana Wright at 7:02pm.

Present: Ruby Bryan, Felicia Kohlberg, Patricia Stemmley, Shana Wright
Absent: Kristy Walker
Also present: Mary Brewster – Director, Paula Tretter – Assistant Director, Pam Collman, Andrea Kramer (arrived late at 8:10)

NEW BUSINESS

Motion 1: It was moved by Bryan and seconded by Kohlberg to appoint Pam Collman and Andrea Kramer as Library Trustees.

Ayes: Bryan, Kohlberg, Stemmley, Wright
Nays: none
Absent: Walker

Motion 2: It was moved by Stemmley and seconded by Wright that the minutes of the meeting of November 11, 2021 be approved as written.

Ayes: Bryan, Collman, Kohlberg, Stemmley, Wright
Nays: none
Absent: Kramer, Walker

Motion 3: It was moved by Bryan and seconded by Kohlberg that bills in the amount of \$30,658.72 be paid.

Ayes: Bryan, Collman, Kohlberg, Stemmley, Wright
Nays: none
Absent: Kramer, Walker

REPORTS

The Financial report was presented by Mary Brewster, Director.
The Librarian's report was presented by Mary Brewster. (See File)

COMMUNICATIONS

COMMITTEES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Pam Collman will be the Treasurer.

Pam Collman will serve on the Budget Committee. Andrea Kramer will serve on the Building Committee.

Closed session minutes from September 17, 2009 will be opened.

Motion 4: It was moved by Bryan and seconded by Kohlberg to approve signing electric supply contract with Steve Bryant / Good Energy LP for 36 months.

Ayes: Bryan, Collman, Kohlberg, Stemmley, Wright

Nays: none

Absent: Kramer, Walker

Motion 5: It was moved by Stemmley and seconded by Bryan to approve the Library Closings for 2022 as written.

Ayes: Bryan, Collman, Kohlberg, Stemmley, Wright

Nays: none

Absent: Kramer, Walker

Motion 6: It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:24pm.
Passed with all ayes.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

September 17, 2009

CLOSED SESSION

Closed session began at 7:50 p.m.

Discussed confrontation between employees Jody and Travis while Director Mary was absent for surgery.

Pat had told Jody to document everything that happened.

Discussion.

Director Mary will handle.

Loren Gunderson moved to return to open session at 8:05 p.m. and Pat Beiermann seconded

Minutes opened at the December 9, 2021 Library Board Meeting.

Director's Report for November 2021

1. Regarding the vandalized windows on the north side of the Library
 - Slayden Glass, Inc. of Wood River provided a bid proposal of \$2,346.85 to replace all three windows.
 - Grinnel Mutual Insurance agent approved this cost by email.
 - Savannah Douglas, the mother of the boy who broke the windows called and spoke to me about the situation on November 16, 2021. She said they were upset it had happened. She asked how much the cost was going to be and I told her Slayden Glass's amount. She said she could not afford that much and then mentioned a friend of her boyfriend who installs windows. I explained that the Library has regulations to follow when working with contractors, but that I would share this with the Board. I then called back last week and left a message inviting her to the December 9, 2021 Board meeting when she could speak to the Trustees about this matter.
2. We need to let Illinois Insurance in Bethalto know who the new Treasurer will be so that they may begin the paperwork to secure a Treasurer's Bond for the Library District. The bond will be in the Treasurer's name for the amount of \$300,000 – per 75 ILCS 16/30-45(e), *an amount based upon a minimum of 50% of the total funds received by the district in the last previous fiscal year.* FY21 total income was \$567,696.91.
3. Fabric choices for the new furniture pieces came back more expensive than anticipated. Kathy Clark is working with the companies on further discounts, alternative products, and/or alternative uses of the fabrics picked out at the November 2021 meeting.
4. Building issues
 - Roof – Bethalto Community School District recommends Kehrerer Brothers for roofing work. The older asphalt shingles section of the roof has bubbles and the peak covering has been repaired once. The newer flat sections of the roof have had small leaks in several areas of the main fiction room and over the front stairs to lower level. We notice the ceiling tiles wet or watermarked. There may also be issues with the gutters as rain seems to run down the brick walls (north side, corner by back entrance).
 - Windows – some of the double paned square windows have failed after 23 years. Slayden Glass, Inc. included a bid proposal figure for replacing 15 of these windows. There are also leaks in the corner windows in the back fiction area. When it rains, water drips steadily down the inside of some of the windows and is causing the metal framework to rust in spots.
 - Pole lights outside the Library's main entrance – one bulb is burned out. I asked GRP|Wegman for an estimate of cost to convert these lights to LED.