

STROMSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 18th, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 P.M. by Chairman Beth Sparrow. Present in addition were Board Members: Bob Greenwall, Jason Rosenkranz, Crystal Seydlitz, and Jessica Pallas, and Library Director Monica Tidyman. Board member Bob Greenwall was absent. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Law was posted and available for inspection. A notice of the meeting was posted in the Post Office, City of Stromsburg Office, and the Stromsburg Public Library.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

A motion was made by Rosenkranz, seconded by Pallas, to approve the minutes of the September 20th, 2021 meeting. Motion carried with all "ayes" (Pallas, Rosenkranz, Seydlitz, and Sparrow with Greenwall abstaining due to absence of the previous meeting).

Correspondence and Communications

None at this time.

Report of the Director

Library Director Tidyman presented her report as distributed. A printout of circulation details by category was also distributed. Materials continue to be added for the enjoyment of library patrons. The usage of the computers has increased in recent months, along with printing.

Approval of Expenses

The current expenses to date were examined. A motion was made by Greenwall, seconded by Rosenkranz, to approve the expenses. Motion carried with all "ayes" (Greenwall, Pallas, Rosenkranz, Seydlitz, and Sparrow).

Unfinished Business

Jackson services \$33.44 monthly plan is being increased to \$50/month minimum. The contract will be reviewed and other liable options are being pursued such as just replacing the rugs semi-annually or as needed.

New Business

The Charles Flippin Historical marker decision and discussion has been tabled for now. The Stromsburg Public Library Wireless Access Policy and the Internet Policy were reviewed and will be combined for ease of access and usability. The Stromsburg Public Library Technology Plan was reviewed in regards to the library's current and future needs. A motion was made by Rosenkranz, seconded by Seydlitz, to approve the closing of the library on December 23rd, 24th, 25th, 31st, and January 1st for the Christmas and New Year Holidays. Motion carried with all "ayes" (Greenwall, Pallas, Rosenkranz, Seydlitz, and Sparrow).

Conferences and Workshops

Polk County Libraries meeting at Polk on October 27th.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Sparrow for the adjournment of the meeting. The next meeting would be Monday,

November 15th, 2021 at 7 P.M.

Stromsburg Public Librarians Report

October 2021

Circulation-

September 2021 - 722 2020 – 662

OverDrive – 2021- 170 2020 - 175

September Statistics

Library Visitors-374

Computer Users-41

New OverDrive Users-3

Copy Machine -23

Fax-0

Microfilm-0

Accu-Cut-0

Laminator-1

Wi-fi-37

Materials Added/Deleted in September

Books-34 /-5

DVD's-6 /-1

Activities in September:

Story Hour 18/2

Genealogy Club

Suicide Prevention -2

Game Day - 5

Librarian Notes:

- Sunni and I attended the Nebraska Library Association annual conference this past week. We watched the keynote plus four other sessions virtually on Wednesday and then we attended the in person conference on Thursday. We gathered several book ideas and themes for summer reading, learned about game jams, and take home programming kits. We attended sessions on intellectual freedom, assessing privilege of us and our patrons, and things patrons look for when they come in the library. It

was a very helpful conference and I was encouraged to see all the things that the Nebraska Library Association is doing to help librarians and libraries.

- We have a new wifi printer/scanner for the use of patron's. Printing from phones and tablets is something that is often requested and we are happy to provide this service.
- We moved one of the newer computers to Monica's office as hers needed replaced and removed one of the older computers to make room for the printer/scanner.