

## January 9, 2020 Valley Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes

**Call to Order:** Secretary, acting as President, Theresa Samson called the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Board Meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call:** Trustees answering roll call: Theresa Samson, Teresa Mejstrik, and James Musson. Kyle Held and Cole Buffington were absent. Library Director Sami Stewart was in attendance.

**Proof of Posting / Open Meetings Act Poster:** The meeting was held in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law, with meeting notice posted in the post office, City Hall, and the library bulletin board. Continuously updated copies of the agenda were maintained on the library's bulletin board and the library's website.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve by T. Mejstrik, second by J. Musson. Yeas: Musson, Mejstrik, and Samson. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-0. There were no consent agenda items which required approval.

**Recognition of Visitors/Correspondence:** Betty Wilmer, Treasurer of Friends of the Library was recognized as present.

**Public Comment:** T. Samson asked for public comment. None was given.

**Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by J. Musson, second by T. Mejstrik. Yeas: Mejstrik, Musson, and Samson. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-0.

### REPORTS

**Board President:** No official report.

**Library Director:** S. Stewart handed out a written document of the Librarian's Report which she went over verbally and answered questions from the Board.

**Friends of the Library:** Betty Wilmer reported that the Friends of the Library Book and Bake Sale went well.

**Foundation:** No representatives were present. S. Stewart reported that the Foundation received \$150 in anonymous donations, and that the Foundation is looking for their next funding project.

### Old Business

None.

## **New Business**

Discussion was held on the topic of placing a shed or small outbuilding behind the library for storage purposes. Betty Wilmer currently holds the library's holiday decorations in her basement, and that will not be an option moving forward. The Friends requested permission to place a shed along the fence line to store the holiday decorations, and books for the book sale. J. Musson spoke on the need to redo the in-ground sprinkler/irrigation system if a shed was placed behind the library. It was suggested that there be an inquiry as to whether the decorations could be stored in the base of the water tower until a more suitable place can be found. The books can continue to be stored at the library. J. Musson made a motion to deny the request for a shed, T. Mejstrik seconded. Yeas: Musson, Mejstrik, and Samson. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-0.

Short Takes for Trustees was tabled, as a majority of the board members present had commitments following the meeting.

## **Comments and Announcements by Board Members:**

None.

**Meeting Adjournment** was announced by T. Samson at 6:53 p.m. Next meeting will be Thursday, March 5th at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sami Stewart, acting as Secretary