

Maltman Memorial Library

Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2020

Board President Marilyn Engelker called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Open Meetings Act acknowledged.

Board member roll call taken with Mavis Reiter, Mary Harders, Marilyn Engelker, Jane Wagoner, Bev Voss, Deb Fairbanks, library director, present.

Prior Minutes approval: No additions or changes made to the minutes. Mavis moved and Jane seconded approval of the December 2019 minutes. 5/0 approval.

Financial Report: Reviewed the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for November 2019. Mary agreed to ask city office about 1) why Hall County grant was listed separately in the revenue section and why under the expense section it is listed in the programs category, 2) How the Library's Spectrum bill could be paid on time-seem to incur a late payment fee sometimes.

Deb provided copies of the following expenses for the Board's review: Book orders dated 11-7-19 \$390.55, 12-18-19, \$246.16, December credit card receipts \$41.20 (Dollar General misc. \$12.50, postage \$3.85, Omaha World Herald book for book club \$24.85.), Geek Squad 12-16-19 \$70.00

Audience participation: None

Suggestion Box: None.

Library Director's Report:

- 1) Deb read the letter she sent to Kreutz Bennett Grant committee informing them the library board did not have the information needed to apply for the second section of the grant request. Therefore the Maltman Library will not pursue this grant this year, but may do so next year.
- 2) Deb presented the Dobesh Land leveling estimate for possible removal of trees and the concrete bandstand.
- 3) One of the features of the new cricut machine is cutting fabric which will be of great interest to local quilters.
- 4) Bev suggested the library offer maker spaces workshops. Deb said Mandy is willing to lead maker space circuit workshops.
- 5) The Bloom family donated \$200 to the library on 12-10-19. Deb suggested possibly purchasing a laminator. The on loan laminator from the NE Library Commission last year was used very frequently by our patrons.

- 6) Hall county grant funds of \$5,000 will be spent on estimated \$1,600 Edgerton Explorit Center presentation for the Summer Reading Program;\$50 for a Humanities speaker; and balance towards new computers.
- 7) Deb renewed the library's partnership agreement with the Elementary school to continue the Afterschool Program.
- 8) The library received 215 donated audio books in December, 2019.

Building Committee Report: The next building committee meeting will be 1/28/2020 at 7 pm at Maltman Library. The Board is to receive written answers to the questions submitted to the city council concerning their proposed housing of the library at the nursing home. Mary suggested the Board members come up with questions and specifics to discuss at the upcoming meeting. Members are to submit their questions to Deb. Marilyn also mentioned the city of Wood River is applying for a grant through the Community and Civic Center Financing Fund for help in funding a feasibility study of repurposing the southern half of the closed Good Samaritan Care facility.(see attached information) The findings from this study would answer some of the questions our Board submitted to the city council.

Old Business: Second Saturday hours start this Saturday, 1/11 with Marilyn. The library's Second Saturday hours were posted in the Clipper, on Facebook, the webpage and the Elementary school will post with their weekly announcements.

New Business: Board certification required hours discussed.

Announcements: None

Next meeting: Thursday, February 13, 2020, 10 am. at the library.

Mary moved we adjourn, Jane seconded. 5/0 approval. Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm.