

Maltman Memorial Library

Meeting Minutes

March 12, 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,, Bev Voss, Deb Fairbanks, library director, present. Jane Wagoner was absent. Mayor Greg Cramer and Jody Cordes also attended.

Prior Minutes approval: No additions or changes made to the minutes. Mavis moved and Bev seconded approval of the January 2020 minutes. 4/0 approval.

Financial Report: Board received the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for period ended January 2010. Marilyn asked what line item 2025 in the amount of \$498.98 listed as an expense comprised. Mayer Cramer suggested asking City Treasurer Christina.

Deb provided copies of the following expenses for the Board's review: Kids program expense \$61, window cover \$24.16, fabric \$27.53, Geek Squad \$74.90. Mary moved and Mavis seconded these expenses. Approved 4/0.

Audience participation: Mayer Cramer clarified for the Board dates of when the library received proceeds from the lams estate and when the library Board became a governing body.(As follow up to discussion at WR City Council meeting 3/3/20) He provided copies of attorney letters and city council minutes documenting these dates. Marilyn and Deb acknowledged they had made a mistake on the dates at the 3/3/20 meeting. Marilyn explained that the lams estate money was given to the Maltman Memorial Library and the library board president and secretary must sign before that money can be spent. Mayor Cramer added and the city council.Mayor Cramer stated any action on relocating the library or expanding the current building has to be agreed upon by both the library Board and the city council.

Suggestion Box: Deb read patron comments and a photocopy are attached to these minutes.

Library Director's Report:

- 1) Fatima Mares Rodriguez will start work at the library as a library assistant on March 16.
- 2) Mary with Bev's assistance will have the library open Saturday morning, March 14 from 9 am - 11 am. Mrs. Evans is presenting the children's story time.
- 3) Plan to apply for Grant for Excellence funding and use it with the Bloom family donation to purchase a button maker and laminator.
- 4) Will use approximately \$3,000 of Hall Co. Keno funds to purchase new pc's. Delivery is delayed due to coronavirus impacting China.
- 5) A humanities speaker is booked for August.

- 6) The library's STEAM programming will be coordinated with the after school program. The library also received funding for books and Play a Ways through the Offering More Great Books Initiative.
- 7) Deb will post a notice informing patrons the library is adhering to the Central Nebraska Health Department's recommended precautions concerning the coronavirus. The notice will state the library will deliver books to patrons living within the city limits.

New Business: Completed and approved Deb's evaluation for presentation to the city council.

Library Policies that were revised at the last meeting were approved by a motion from Mary and seconded by Bev. 4/0

Old Business: Deb will move items stored in the children's area and stacked by the North windows to the city building basement.

Building Committee Report: Jody presented an idea for adding onto the library that included possibly preserving the band stand. She proposed including the bandstand (the foundation footings appear intact but stairs do not have proper footings and cracked) in the library addition to preserve it and use it as an area for programs with a ramp to make it ADA compliant. Also discussed was relocating, from previous plan, ADA bathroom to ease plumbing concerns and only have one gender neutral bathroom.

Announcements: None.

At 1:15 pm, Mary moved and Mavis seconded the meeting adjourn. Approved 4/0.

Next meeting: Next meeting is April 9, 2020, **9:30 am** at the library. (**Please note time change**)