Library Board Meeting Minutes September 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Rinda at 6:31p.m. Board members present: Nancy Rinda, Ronda Hess, Gwyn Whitacre, Kevin Segerstrom, Dianne Feasley and Corey Burgess. The director, Jenny Losey was also present.

A motion for the minutes of the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance Hearing and the last board meeting to be approved as written was made by Dianne Feasley and second by Kevin Segerstrom.

Jenny went over the director's report. The mold in the women's bathroom, we hope has been taken care of. A toilet tank was leaking and that has been replaced. The wall was also treated with a fungicide. Jenny will keep an eye on that area. The carpets were cleaned on August 9. The worn runner in front of the desk will be replaced. The week of August 16, air conditioner, unit #4, quit working. Discussion in New Business. Rhonda Johnson has not had good communication with the Hudson Grade School. Hopefully, that will improve in the future. We had two new Library Assistants on August 9th. Avianna Nettleton and Kessa Toland. The Budget and Appropriations Ordinance was submitted to the county and printed in the August 19th edition of The Quill. The Illinois Supreme Court issued a decision that public bodies need to make contractors clearly aware of their responsibility to pay prevailing wages. If not, the public body would be liable for penalties and legal fees. In July, an amendment to the Public Officers Prohibited Activities Act (SAFE-T Act) was enacted providing protections for whistleblowers. This amendment requires public bodies to either assign an auditing official who will accept reports of improper behavior from employees or refer employees to the County State's Attorney to make such reports. We will direct our library employees to the County State's Attorney. We will add an amendment and procedures to our Employee Handbook and the amendment will be made available to the employees until the handbook can be revised.

Treasurer's Report

Dianne Feasley presented the August Monthly Expense report. Motion to be approved by Ronda Hess and second by Gwyn Whitacre. We also reviewed the year-to-date Financial Report.

Secretary's Report

We reviewed the draft of the Levy Ordinance 2021-2022-04. We will approve it during the October meeting.

President's Report Nothing to report

Old Business None

New Business

Air conditioner unit #4 discussion. We have three quotes. Tabled until next meeting. We will get at least one more quote.

We reviewed the disaster plan. NICOR should be called first After leaving the building in case of gas odors.

It was brought up that since we no longer have local ambulance service in Hudson, that we should check into getting an AED Unit.

We need to review the Serving Our Public 4.0, to be completed by the December meeting so that Jenny can write up the grant. Everyone is to review Chapters 1 and 2. We are dividing up the rest of the chapters.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 6:30p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:20p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.

Gwyn Whitacre

Secretary