

PERRY COOK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

Library Director Patricia Dollisch_X_ Fiscal Officer Kile Byington_X_

Board President David Oates_X_ Vice President Deb Statler_AB_ Secretary Mary Roush_X_

Board Members: Paul Sipes_AB_ Julie Rhea_X_ Mary Jobe_AB_ Michelle Fidler_X_

MINUTES: The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Dave Oates. The library director, fiscal officer, secretary and three (3) board members were in attendance. The vice president and two (2) board members were absent. Minutes from the special meeting held on August 24th were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Mary Roush, Michelle seconded, all agreed. Motion was carried. The minutes from the August 10th meeting were read. A motion was made by Mary Roush to accept the minutes as read, Michelle seconded, and all members present agreed. Motion carried.

PATRICIA: She contacted the state to request 400 free Covid tests and hopes to have those in house soon. She expressed concern that this number may not be enough as sister libraries indicated that they were exhausting their supply as quickly as they were receiving them. She did not attend the township meeting as there was not much to report. Letters were delivered to residents regarding vacating the alley and two were positive in their response. One resident contacted her ^{to} express ~~to~~ his dissatisfaction with the project. Patricia has decided to put the alley discussion on hold at this time pending the outcome of the Corns property purchase. Thomas Smith has indicated he is currently working on a case similar to ours with the corner property and will have better information for us regarding how to proceed once that case is settled. He has advised Patricia that a title search needs to be done. She reports that according to her own research, there is no title to search—the paperwork seems to end in 1834 in Richland County. The A/C unit upstairs is not working properly and had to be looked at. The library is still in need of employees. There was one application received but Patricia did not feel the applicant was a proper fit. She will continue to advertise the position. Dave suggested a temporary staffing service. She will contact such companies for pricing quotes to see if this would be a viable option.

KILE: August financials are reconciled. The data entry error has been taken care of. Kile explained that monies needed to be moved to the Capital Projects Fund to allow for the purchase of the Corns property should the purchase take place before December 31st, 2021. She has spoken with Pat Davies, Morrow County Auditor, and this an appropriate way to handle this. Pat is very appreciative of the communication that has taken place in the past year between Perry Cook and the county. Mary Roush made a motion to accept a resolution for an increase in appropriations to cover expected expenditures through the end of library fiscal year 2021. The resolution provides for an additional \$132,000 in the Capital Projects Fund 4001 as outlined in appendix A, Julie seconded, all agreed. Motion carried. We should expect to see a significant increase in the labor costs and cost of living in 2022. Compared to other county libraries, our

wages for support staff are higher; however, in comparison to state wages we are lower. We may want to discuss this in the future regarding employee retention.

OLD BUSINESS: The Corn's property purchase was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business to discuss.

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS: Julie made a motion to accept consent resolutions in the amount of \$5.45, Mary Roush seconded, all approved. Motion carried.

Mary Roush made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Julie seconded, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



David Oates, President



Mary Roush, Secretary