

Mount Carroll District Library Board Meeting Minutes

October 13th, 2021

Call to order: by Laurel Bergren at 6:00 pm

Attendees: Tom Sorg, Pam Naples, Marsha Foltz, Virginia De Swarte, Paula Watson, Laurel Bergren, Anna Gray

Absent: Pat Foltz

Agenda Approval: Sorg/Watson

Public Comment: Special guest: Scott Winter of Winter Construction: Still working to finalize the budget for our expansion project. Moving the start date to spring 2022. He will attend our November meeting and present a final budget. Alan Rosenburg: Meetings are very interesting and holding the expansion project until spring makes sense.

Friends of the Library Report: Balance in the account \$3,558.13. The October meeting was held by Zoom on October 5th. The Friends booth at the Farmer's Market selling books and promoting the library will continue thru October. Thank you to Pat and Keta Foltz for setting up and taking down the canopy each week. The Friends group will apply for two Illinois Humanities Road Scholar Programs for 2022. A Quilted table runner donated by Diane Manikowski will be featured on our fall raffle, tickets are available now thru December 4th. Cathy Hutchcraft is coordinating the next Friends fundraiser to be held during the Hometown Christmas festivities will include a windowpane box featuring a teacup and saucer, biscottis, a napkin and a Friends brochure. The meeting date will change to the second Tuesday starting in November. Election of officers will be held at the December meeting.

Secretary's Report Approval: Sorg/M.Foltz

Financial Report Approval: De Swarte/Watson

Payment of Bills Approval: M.Foltz/De Swarte

Librarian's Report:

1. September Statistics – See report
2. Masks are required to come into the library.
3. Programming will continue with masks and some held outside.
4. The T-Rex program had 50 participants.
5. Children's Book Buzz Book Club started on October 12th.
6. Jewelry Sale will be held in December.

Committee Reports:

1. Building and Landscape Maintenance: (Naples, Sorg) some lights are burned out in the basement. Tom Sorg will look at the lights. Chamber of Commerce asked if they can use the basement of the library to arrange the hanging baskets for winter. Yes they can use the basement. We need to move some things before they come. Pam Naples will contact Extreme Tree Service for a quote to take the tree down in the rear of the building.
2. Informal Education: (P.Foltz, McCaskey, Naples, Watson) meetings suspended until fall.
3. Finance: (Bergren, P.Foltz, M.Foltz, McDermott, Naples) meetings to be held Saturday prior to board meeting @ 9am – No report
4. Facilities Design Committee: (Bergren, Sorg, P.Foltz, Watson, M.Foltz, De Swarte) Report from Scott Winter.
5. Capital Campaign: (Bergren, Watson, Naples, Atherton, M.Foltz) meetings held weekly on Tuesday @ 5pm – No Report

Old Business:

1. Director and Officer Liability Insurance – No update at this time.

New Business: Review and Adopt Ordinance 21-10-01: Ordinance Levying and Assessing Tax for Mount Carroll District Library of the Counties of Carroll and JoDaviess, State of Illinois for the Fiscal year Beginning on the 1st day of July, 2021 and Ending on the 30th day of June, 2022. Sorg/Watson Motion carried.

President's Message: Thank you. We like boring meetings.

Adjournment: 6:39 pm by De Swarte/M.Foltz