

BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 17, 2017 7:00 PM - Library

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

TRUSTEE ROLL CALL: Biery, present; Bunte, present; Czarnecki, present; Dean, present; Saller, present; Skold, present; Wehling, present. Jill Grosso & Vicki Squier were also present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

September minutes were reviewed. Following review, Skold moved to accept minutes as presented, seconded by Wehling.

Biery, yes; Bunte, abstain; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gwen presented the Treasurer's report. Report was reviewed, found to be accurate & sound.

Following review, Czarnecki moved to approve Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Dean.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes ; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

- Financial Re-cap was reviewed; \$7,400.00+ Interest earned on Investments.
- Outstanding Bills were reviewed, additions noted by Vicki. Total Outstanding Bills: \$19,674.89.
- The Budget Comparison was reviewed. Finances good early in FY.

Saller moved to pay outstanding bills including any new additions, seconded by Bunte.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes ; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes ; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- September Circ. Stats were up for Checkouts, Media On Demand and Tumblebooks. Freegal is down a bit.
- The 'Trunk or Treat' has been cancelled for this Halloween, due to a conflict with a school Athletic Tournament.

- SWAN will amend their fee structure in May, 2018. An additional 19 new libraries will be added to the system. Our fee is about \$1,300 less because our library is State subsidized.
- SWAN is also considering allowing Non-SWAN reciprocal borrowers the ability to place 5 holds in our online catalog. This is not currently our policy. Grant Park cardholders would be effected.
- 2018 Health Insurance rate is holding steady. Dental rate up \$1.14.
- Jill adjusted the speed on the FAX machine.
- Board discussed the December Holiday calendar, concerning closings. Decision will be made at November meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was sent to Mr. Jake Andringa, Controllor, Dutch American Foods, Inc. A reimbursement check for 90% of their 2016 Library District (Real Estate Tax) was included...\$1,013.40.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Grounds: Lance met with Mike Stanula to discuss the state of the pillars on the porch. Repair or replace are at issue. Mike promised to take the matter under consideration & get back to us.

Housekeeping: Kathy reported the crew is short lately, but the crew is getting it done.

Personnel: Gwen has no news.

Schools: Jennifer reports the school has a new Librarian, Laura Graham. Jill will visit the school to introduce herself and offer assistance & goodwill. Shirley suggested Jill also invite Laura to tour our library. Jennifer added that she regularly urges students to visit our library.

Social: Beverly will be serving Russian Tea & Tea Cakes for Shirley's Oct.25 RUSSIA Travelogue. She will also be serving refreshments at the Nov. 12th RADIO PLAYERS program.

General: Shirley reported on what she learned at the Chamber of Commerce meeting last evening. The Police Dept. & Fire Dept. are seeking new Chiefs; Com-Ed will be installing new utility poles along Rte.1, no access outlet will be available for Holiday decorations. Washington Township will be hosting an OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, Nov.5th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Skold moved to approve ORDINANCE #78, ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ASSESSING TAXES OF BEECHER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2018, seconded by Czarnecki.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Jill explained what the **Southside Radio Players** program will be like.

They do not charge a fee to appear, but they do accept donations.

Following discussion, Skold moved to donate \$100 to the **Southside Radio Players**, seconded by Bunte.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

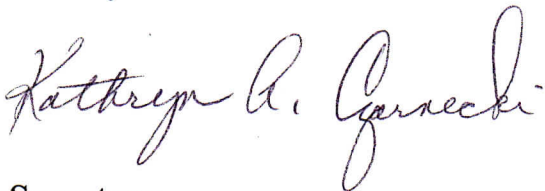
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Russian Travelogue, Wednesday, October 25th**
- **Southside Radio Players, November 21, 7 pm**
- **Regular Board Meeting, November 21, 2017, 7 p.m**

Skold moved to adjourn at 7:50, seconded by Dean.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes ; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes ; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Kathryn A. Czarnecki



Secretary