BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 20, 2015 7:00 PM - Library

President Biery called the meeting to order, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

TRUSTEE ROLL CALL: Biery, present; Bunte, absent; Czarnecki, present; Dean, absent; Saller, present; Skold, present; Wehling, present.

Jill Grosso & Vicki Squier were also present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of December 16, 2014 were reviewed. Skold moved to accept minutes as presented, seconded by Wehling.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was presented. Shirley explained how the property tax income has fallen off, due to the property purchase by the state of Illinois for the airport. The state pays a very small percentage of the amount previously paid by land owners. She also cleared-up the earnings from the Cetera account, & the amount of our original investment.

Vicki explained Federal & State tax rates and announced that she has completed the W-2 forms for employees.

Czarnecki moved to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Skold.

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

Board reviewed Outstanding bills. Vicki reported salaries were estimated. Following review, Skold moved to approve payment of outstanding bills, seconded by Wehling.

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Circ figures were typically down in December.
- The Lego program in December had 5 children in attendance.

- Shirley, Jill and Lance attended *Village Comprehensive Plan* meeting in January.
- Trustees Joe Skold and Beverly Wehling will be running for office in the April election. Jill advised all to remember to vote!
- New ILS program is in the training phase. Jill will brief staff at tomorrow's meeting. She will be scheduling in-person training which will require extra staff time...approx. 40 total hours.
- The board needs to review & make a decision concerning collections and credit bureaus. Jill led a discussion on the pros & cons.
- A \$100 donation was made in December in the name of Ruth & Lester Engelking by their children. A Thank-You note has been sent, & books purchased.

CORRESPONDENCE

- An award letter from Jesse White granting the Beecher Community library District a Per Capita Grant in the amount of \$8,303.75.
- A letter from the Illinois Dept. of Transportation concerning another Property Tax Exemption and how it impacts the library district.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Grounds: HVAC to be dicussed in Unfinished business.

Housekeeping: Kathy has nothing new to report.

Personnel: No news to report.

Schools: None.

Social: Beverly will be serving refreshments on Feb. 8th.

General: Shirley had no report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Shirley gave a brief summary of our progress concerning the new Heating A/C System. One of the 3 furnaces has broken-down. Shirley informed the board that she consulted with our Attorney, Jim Fessler and Mike Stanula concerning the need for speedy action. Mr. Fessler advised that this is indeed an emergency situation and the work must go ahead. Shirley phoned L&H and Mike Hammeister agreed to do the job. They can begin on thursday. Joe Skold phoned the other companies that had showed interst & informed them of the recent events and our plan to employ L&H. Joe requested that the board send a confirming letter to said companies. Shirley agreed to do that.

Following a Q&A period, Joe Skold made the following motion: "Due to the breakdown of the furnaces, thus creating an emergency at the library, I propose that L&H Services, Inc. replace the existing furnaces & Humidifiers with the three (3) modulating 110,00 BTU 97% Armstrong Models A97USMV110C2OS and existing humidifiers with the three (3) Aprilaire 700A Power Humidifiers and Air Conditioners, at the estimated approximate costs indicated in the initial proposal. This after conversations with both our attorney and architect." Motion was seconded by Wehling.

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

Shirley will include ratification of this motion on the agenda for February.

NEW BUSINESS

Saller moved to transfer \$100 from Collection to the Foundation, seconded by Skold.

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

The board reviewed the 'Inclement Weather Policy'. Following discussion, and revisions, Czarnecki moved to adopt the 'Inclement Weather Policy' as amended, seconded by Skold.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Regular meeting Feb. 17, 2015, 7 pm
- Sunday at the Library, Feb. 8, 2015
- Used Book Sale, Feb. 26-28, 2015

Saller moved to adjourn meeting at 8:21 pm, seconded by Skold. Biery, yes; Bunte,; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, ; Saller yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Kathryn A. Czarnecki Kathrejn (k. Garnecki Secretary