

**BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY**  
**Monthly Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 16, 2022 7:00 PM**

A Public Hearing was held at 7 P.M. before the regular Board Meeting to discuss **Ordinance #91 Providing for Budget and Appropriations for the Beecher Public Library District, Will County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.**

President Biery explained that this annual Public Hearing is required by law and serves as a reminder for the board of its importance & purpose.

The regular meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**TRUSTEE ROLL CALL**

**Biery**, present **Bunte**, absent **Czarnecki**, absent, **Kerber**, absent **Saller**, present, **Stamper**, present **Wehling**, present.

Jill Grosso and Vicki Squier were also present.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Minutes from the July 19, 2022 regular meeting and the Special Meeting of June 22, 2022 minutes were reviewed. Following review, Wehling moved to accept minutes as presented, seconded by Saller.

**Biery**, yes **Bunte**, Absent **Czarnecki**, Abstain, **Kerber**, Abstain, **Saller**, yes, **Stamper**, yes, **Wehling**, yes. Motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Stamper presented a summary of the Treasurer's report & Financial recap. Following board review, Czarnecki moved approve the Treasurers report, seconded by Kerber.

**Biery**, yes **Bunte**, Absent **Czarnecki**, yes **Kerber**, yes **Saller**, yes, **Stamper**, yes, **Wehling**, yes. Motion passed.

The Outstanding Bills were reviewed & updated. Following review, Saller moved to approve payment of Outstanding bills with additions totaling \$20,873.98 plus any new additions, seconded by Czarnecki.

**Biery**, yes **Bunte**, Absent **Czarnecki**, yes **Kerber**, yes **Saller**, yes, **Stamper**, yes, **Wehling**, yes. Motion passed.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Statistics for July are good. Media On Demand did very well, 386.
- Programs: 40 children participated in the 'tie-dye shirts', always a hit!
- Both children and adults greatly enjoyed the ongoing Mosaic project. A family has donated \$30 to purchase another kit for all to enjoy.
- Jill suggests we extend the Summer Reading program time to allow for slow readers and vacationers. Adult participation was up, children's down.
- Jill is planning to visit the 3 local school principals in mid-late September to discuss ways we can partner & benefit the children.
- Printer informed us we need to pick a new color paper for the newsletter.
- Will County has set aside \$20,000 for us from the American Rescue Plan. Jill explained how funds can be used. She & the board shared ideas.
- Karen submitted ideas for new toy purchase. Shirley would like to see educational toys on the list.

Karen & Jill would like to host a pumpkin decorating contest & display them in the library, to be disposed of afterwards.

- Jill is scheduling programs in coordination with the Township. She has a good list of great interesting options for the future.

Currently scheduled: Wed. Sept.27, IDENTITY THEFT, sponsored by MIDLAND BANK and October 12<sup>th</sup>, FALL DÉCOR PINTEREST PARTY.

- Vicki has a large collection of paperback books that she'd like to donate & make available for patrons.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building/Grounds:** Rick has been vigilant about watering outside & it looks wonderful .

**Housekeeping:** Kathy reports the cleaning crew is doing fine.

**Landscaping:** Michelle reports the outside is looking neat, plants healthy.

**Schools:** No news.

**Social:** Beverly is prepared to host a September program.

**General:** Shirley has nothing now.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Rick presented a detailed job assessment & proposal (not contract) from **Mert's Heating & Air Conditioning** to upgrade the library's Humidifier

system. Following suggestions & clarifications, Kerber moved to hire **Mert's**, with Eric to oversee the project and maintain the system going forward & to hire an Electrical outfit to do the necessary pre-work to make it happen, seconded by Saller.

**Biery, yes Bunte, Absent, Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes.** Motion passed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Biery moved to adopt **Ordinance #91 Providing for the Budget and Appropriations for the Beecher Public Library District, Will County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023**, seconded by Czarnecki. Motion passed.

Biery moved to approve the Annual Treasurer's Report of the **Beecher Public Library District**, noting the current balance of the **Cetera** account is \$84,807.09, seconded by Czarnecki.

**Biery, yes Bunte, Absent, Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes.** Motion passed.

Shirley shared that she spoke with our Attorney, Ken Fricker concerning the amount of money currently in the Library's accounts. He agreed to come to a meeting and advise. In the meantime, board members were asked to bring ideas to the next meeting. **Biery, yes Bunte, Absent, Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes.** Motion passed. **Biery, yes Bunte, Absent, Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes.** Motion passed.

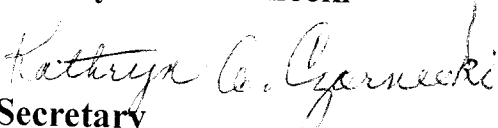
### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**- Regular Board Meeting, September 20, 2022 at 7 p.m.**

Biery moved to adjourn at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Kerber.

**Biery, yes Bunte, Absent Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes.** Motion passed.

**Kathryn A. Czarnecki**

  
**Secretary**