

Rock River Library District – Public Hearing  
806 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Silvis, IL 61282  
Wednesday – July 15, 2020

Minutes

Present: Pat Held, (President), Joanne Riedl, (Vice President), Stacy Bawden, (Treasurer) Julie Black (Secretary), Pam Bragg, Linda Johnson, Carole Karenke and Amy Fry – Library Director

1. Call to Order: by Pat Held at 6:24 P.M.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Approval of Minutes.

A motion was made to approve the May 2020 minutes as presented.

**Motion:** was made by Julie and seconded by Joanne

After the motion was moved and seconded, Pat opened the floor up to discussion.

The Board Secretary, Julie Black, requested a Roll Call Vote, ending with the Board President.

Carole Karenke – yes

Pam Bragg – yes

Julie Black – yes

Linda Johnson – yes

Stacy Bawden – yes

Pat Held – yes

Joanne Riedl – yes

**There are seven votes in the affirmative and zero votes in the negative. There is a two-thirds vote in the affirmative and the *May minutes* are adopted.**

4. Treasurer's Report:

There was no bills presented.

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

**Motion:** was made by Julie and seconded by Pam.

After the motion was moved and seconded, Pat opened the floor up to discussion. Amy clarified about the change that was made in the by interest is being collected and reported to use.

The Board Secretary, Julie Black, requested a Roll Call Vote, ending with the Board President.

Carole Karenke – yes

Joanne Riedl – yes

Julie Black – yes

Pam Bragg – yes

Stacy Bawden – yes

Linda Johnson – yes

Pat Held – yes

**There are seven votes in the affirmative and zero votes in the negative. There is a two-thirds vote in the affirmative and the *Treasurer's Report* is approved.**

5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Per Capita Grant Status: Amy received the Per Capita Grant award letter, for \$4,328.75, on June 5<sup>th</sup>. This is the same as last year.
- b. COVID-19 Closing: Plans are fluid, based on public health guidelines and access to PPE materials. The library opened for limited services, on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Additional services will be added as public health guidelines indicate that it will be safe to do so. Curb side started in mid-June.
- c. Remodeling Project – The Silvis Library is getting a facelift. New shelving, an adult seating area, LED lighting, outdoor awning (over programming space). Project is in the early phases. Tentative completion is October. This includes painting the adult area, removal of old books and many other changes.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Per Capita Grant 2021 Requirements - Per Capita Grant Requirements for 2021 are expected to be posted within 30 days.
- b. Serving the Public 4.0 – Amy relayed that, based on communication with the State Library, trustees will likely need to review Serving the Public 4.0 in its entirety as a Per Capita Grant Requirement. Amy will send every board member a digital copy. **She asks that the board read through it prior to the September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.**
- c. Adopt Ordinance 20-02 (Budget & Appropriation)  
A motion was made to approve Ordinance 20-02 as presented.  
**Motion:** was made by Julie and seconded by Linda.  
After the motion was moved and seconded, Pat opened the floor up to discussion.

The Board Secretary, Julie Black, requested a Roll Call Vote, ending with the Board President.

Carole Karenke – yes  
Julie Black – yes  
Stacy Bawden – yes  
Joanne Riedl – yes  
Pam Bragg – yes  
Linda Johnson – yes  
Pat Held – yes

**There are seven votes in the affirmative and zero votes in the negative. There is a two-thirds vote in the affirmative and the *Ordinancer 20-20* is adopted.**

7. New Business

- a. Discuss Ordinance 20-04 (Tax Levy) - Amy included a handout that goes over taxes, levy, and truth in taxation. Please look over and ask questions at next meeting. We will vote at the October meeting, Amy will be present a draft at the next meeting and we will vote on it.
- b. Discuss Truth in Taxation – This is included in the handout for 20-04. We will vote on that at the next meeting.
- c. Discuss 20-05 (Treasurer’s Financial Statement) - Amy created the Treasurer’s Financial statement, but we will not vote on it until the September meeting. It is included in the packet so trustees can view it. Will vote in September.
- d. Library Wishes
  - Rock River Mailing – Amy was able to compile a list of all addresses within the Rock River Library District (1,274). The cost to send a 6x9 USPS oversized postcard mailer would cost \$865.05. If all Silvis address are added, the cost increases to \$2388.41. Amy suggested:
    1. 1st postcard be sent out announcing the “Grand Reopening” of the library upon the completion of the remodel.
    2. The postcard only be sent to Rock River residents, due to the drastic difference in price.
    3. A post card be sent out annually highlighting all library services to Rock River residents.

A motion was made to approve a mailing to Rock River residents.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Julie and seconded by Stacy.

After the motion was moved and seconded, Pat opened the floor up to discussion.

The Board Secretary, Julie Black, requested a Roll Call Vote, ending with the Board President.

Carole Karenke – yes

Julie Black – yes

Stacy Bawden – yes

Joanne Riedl – yes

Pam Bragg – yes

Linda Johnson – yes

Pat Held – yes

**There are seven votes in the affirmative and zero votes in the negative. There is a two-thirds vote in the affirmative and *the Library Mailing* is approved.**

- Juvenile Collection Development – To prepare for new shelves, the Silvis Library is freshening up their collections. Items that are outdated and in disrepair are being removed. New, up-to-date items are being purchased to improve the collections. The library would like to suggest a donation towards Juvenile books. The Juvenile Fiction and Juvenile Graphic Novel collections have many incomplete series and “well-loved” copies that need replacements.

The vote on this was postponed until the October meeting when we decide on how much money to donate toward the purchase of juvenile books.

2. Items to be placed on next meeting’s agenda

- Summer Reading Statistics
- Present Tax Levy (not adopted until October meeting)
- Determine if Truth in Taxation Hearing will need to be held
- Adopt 20-05 Treasurer’s Financial Statement
- Discuss School Donations and juvenile collection money (Approve in October)
- Discuss Treasurer to pay winter bills (Approve in October)
- Discuss Payments to Silvis (Approve in October)
- Discuss Per Capita Requirements
- Trustee training – short take video
- IPLAR status

Move to adjourn was made by Julie and seconded by Joanne.  
This was approved unamously.

3. Adjournment at 6:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Black

**NEXT Regular Board Meeting for Rock River Library District  
Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - 6:30pm**