Library Board Meeting August 24, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mary Bell, Kathy Rollins, Joan Rusch, Kristy Bower, Ruth Gruber, Sam Marohn and Cathy Forst.

The regular order of the meeting was suspended to open the Budget Hearing for 2025. The Hearing was opened at 7:05. The Board discussed the millage rates available for the 2025 budget year. Since there were no questions or comments from the public, Joan moved to close the Hearing and Kathy seconded. Motion passed. The Hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

Secretary's Report:

The minutes for July were distributed at the meeting and accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report:

The bills for August total \$23,904.44, this includes the Overdrive subscription, two electric bills plus the handicapped door repair. Joan moved to pay the bills and Sam seconded. Motion passed.

We have 361,320.82 in our regular account and \$334,849.32 in our reserve account for a total of \$696,170.14

Library Director's Report:

July circulation—14,848 Door Count—3,573 Patrons—3,110 Activities participants--550 a. The September activities calendar was distributed and reviewed.

b. The September meeting will be held on September 24th at 5:30

c. Jonathan Rand, children's author and Michigan resident will speak on October 24th because of a generous gift from a patron.

d. We would like to purchase 5 new desks and a set of lockers. Ruth moved acceptance and Kathy seconded. Motion passed.

e. Wireless hot spots—Cost is \$25-27 per device. We want to start with 5. Ruth moved acceptance, Joan seconded. Motion approved.

Old Business:

For the new carpet project we are considering Library Design Assoc. and other vendors.

New Business:

New Director hiring process—Cathy will post the opening on TLN website. On the September 24 meeting the Board will review resumes we receive and choose candidates to interview.

Ruth moved to levy the full amount of the millages: 0.3977 and 0.4767. Sam seconded. Motion approved. Cathy will send forms to Oakland County, Clerk and Treasurers Offices.

Our business completed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Rollins, Secretary

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