

## **Library Board Minutes**

**March 11,2024**

### Call to Order, roll call

President Walter Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members attending were Maria Rector, Emily Sprengelmeyer, Alison Vanderpool, Katherine Walker, and Frances Beadle. Mike Blaum was excused absent. Librarian Jenna Diedrich was present.

### Citizen comments

None

### Consent Agenda

Diedrich asked that a payment of \$4059.38 to Galena Cellars for the mystery event dinner be added to the payables.

Vanderpool moved to approve minutes and pay the bills including the addition of \$4059.38 to Galena Cellars. Rector made the second.

Vote: Rector – Aye, Sprengelmeyer – Aye, Vanderpool – Aye, Beadle – Aye, Walker – Aye, Johnson – Aye.  
Motion carried.

### Financial Report

None

### Treasurer's Report

Discussion and possible action of reinvestment of Virtue funds. Beadle reported on the status of the CD's at Dupaco. Rates are currently 4.74% for 7 months and 4.2% for 19 months. She mentioned concerns that after the election in November, rates typically go down.

Vanderpool moved to roll over the CD at Dupaco for 19 months. Sprengelmeyer made the second.

Vote: Sprengelmeyer – Aye, Vanderpool – Aye, Beadle – Aye, Walker – Aye, Rector – Aye, Johnson – Aye.  
Motion carried.

### Friends Report

President of Friends of the Library Betsy Hansen went through a handout on how the book donations are handled for the annual event. Sections included were weeding donations, moving books and hauling donations and sorting by genre.

### Library Director's Report

Diedrich was contacted by the city and the library is required to have a street number on the building. She talked to the City Administrator and they agreed that the street number could be on the drop box in front rather than on the stone building itself. She is still looking at another firm for audit services. The company under consideration also does the city and county audits, but it may be more expensive. The

front building lamp is still an issue and a work in progress. Possible plants for the front area have been submitted with photos for landscaping of the building. Rachel Lenstra and Mike Fertig are working on a state grant to digitize ledgers and if awarded will require a match from the library.

Board President's Report

None

Committees

- a. Buildings & Grounds – no report
- b. Decennial – no report
- c. Finance – no report
- d. HR – Rector said the evaluation of the Director will be next month.
- e. Policy – no report

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Closed Session

None

Items for next agenda

Director's evaluation

Adjournment at 7:06pm.

Next meeting: Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at Galena Public Library, 601 S. Bench St., Galena, IL 61036

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine Walker  
Secretary