

Putnam County Public Library District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees
March 11, 2019

1) The Putnam County Public Library Board was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Bob Steele, President.

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2) Roll Call:

Present:

Bob Steele, President

Debbie Ward, Vice President

Merry Bassi, Secretary

Joan Augustine, Trustee

John Crist, Trustee

Absent:

Debbie Pletsch, Trustee

Kim McCracken, Treasurer

3) Correspondence, communications, and public comments: Bob Hamann, from Lake Thunderbird (originally from Wheaton, Illinois) attended the meeting as a potential future board member. Dave Augustine attended as a guest.

4) Committee Reports: None

5) Consent Agenda, Librarian's Report: John Crist motioned to accept the minutes & librarian report & statistics. Debbie Ward second. Motion carried

6) Financial report: Jay Kalman reviewed the Telephone, Telephone Automation, Risk Management & Director Salary accounts. John Crist motioned to approve the Financial Report as presented. Joan Augustine second. Motion carried.

7) Approval of Bills: John Crist motioned to approve the bills for approval as recorded. Debbie Ward second. Motion carried.

8) Unfinished Business:

a) Condit Building: Dave Boucher, Senachwine Township Supervisor provided an update on the Condit Library. 1) Windows and door replacement have been contracted. The contractor is waiting for appropriate weather to replace the doors and windows. The project is expected to take several days. 2) Roof, gutters and downspouts replacement will be rebid. New bids will be requested around first of April. The roof replacement will not be a historic replacement roof. In 2020, the Township will be looking at brick replacement and foundation. The Township will also present a lease for the Putnam County Library District to review. Dave expects that we'll have a lease ready for review by our next meeting. Dave has received feedback that library users would like to see more of the historical memorabilia be presented. Joan Augustine noted that the price on the old BrewMaster has dropped to \$130,000. Joan Augustine will talk with Dave Boucher about our concerns about the lease.

b) Replacement Taxes: No update at this time. Bob Steele will discuss with Phil Lenzini.

9) New Business:

a) Library Programs: We participated in Hennepin's July 4th event sponsoring a music event. Several community members expressed concerns about our participation away from the library building. No action was taken.

b). Materials Selection Policy: Jay Kalman presented the Materials Selection Policy. Jay recommends no changes needed at this time. John Crist motioned that the Board reviewed the Material Selection policy and reaffirm the policy. Joan Augustine second. Motion carried.

c). Board Comments: Debbie Ward has moved to Princeton and as of Friday will be a Bureau County resident. Therefore she is resigning her position on the Board.

10). Signing of paperwork (minutes, bills, other):

11) Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Next regular Putnam County Public Library District Board meeting is scheduled for April 8th, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Merry Bassi, Secretary