

O'Fallon Public Library
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2019

President Dennis Grimmer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the upstairs small conference room of the library. Also present were Board members Larry Morrison, Betty Reed, Doug Distler, Harriet Baker, Nancy Clark, Linda Kahley, Suzanne Rupright, Library Director Molly Scanlan and Shirley Seipp, recording secretary. Linda Gruchala was excused. Walter Denton, the city administrator, attended as a guest.

Secretary's Report A motion to accept the minutes was made by H. Baker and was seconded by S. Rupright. All ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report D. Distler commented on the financial reports. L. Morrison made a motion to file the March Treasurer's Report for audit. N. Clark seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

April Bills A motion was made by H. Baker and seconded by B. Reed to approve payment of the presented bills. Roll call: L. Morrison, aye; B. Reed, aye; L. Gruchala, aye; D. Grimmer, aye; H. Baker, aye; L. Kahley and N. Clark, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report The repair for the South side of the roof will be done by Jim Taylor. They will install rubber roofing material with an additional plastic walkway around each of the air conditioner units for added protection. It comes with a 15-year warranty. Taylor Roofing will fix anything the first two years and then begin using the warranty the third year.

After detecting a foul odor over the computer section of the building, it was discovered that the air conditioner filter at the entrance side of the building was the culprit. That brought up the need to have the ductwork cleaned. Currently, Bel-O comes twice a year for HVAC maintenance and Mike Howk is checking the filters every two to three months. Molly is going to get some quotes on the ductwork cleaning.

All security cameras have been installed except one.

The strategic planning committee met on Thursday and made good progress in formulating a comprehensive plan. They will meet again on May 1st to put their notes in an organized form to present at the next board meeting. Molly asked Walter concerning the Rasp Farm TIF and if it had expired or not expired. He stated there was some disagreement between the City and County. It was not included in the 2020 budget. It will definitely be expired for the 2021 budget and that will add \$23,000,000 to the EAV. This year we will just get a TIF surplus out of it.

In addition, Walter Denton explained that since there were seven new aldermen elected at the recent election, the new alderman orientation scheduled for April 29th would include a comprehensive refresher of meeting procedures, voting, handling of conflicts, etc. He invited the library board members to attend as well.

Friends of the Library H. Baker reported that the next book sale would be held on Mother's Day weekend, Thursday, May 9th through Monday, May 13th.

Book Discussion Group L. Morrison said the library book club is reading *The Librarian of Auschwitz*, by Antoninio Iturbe for the April meeting. The group meets the fourth Monday of the month

at 7:00p.m.at the library. The Books and Brew book club is reading *The Personality Brokers*, by Merve Emre. This group meets at 7:00pm the fourth Monday of the month at Global Brew.

Public Comment Walter Denton said that he appreciated all the fine work the library board was doing and was glad to be able to attend the library board meeting.

Topics for Future Consideration It was decided to wait to have the library Open House until September.

Unfinished Business The remaining acoustical ceiling tiles over the checkout area have not yet been installed.

The painters are due to come back to fix some chipping and Brent Alexander will be out to touch up the stairs in about six weeks.

New Business The library hired Katie Gordon to fill the vacant part time page position. H. Baker made the motion to approve the hiring of Katie for the page position and B. Reed seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Walter Denton said that he would be checking on the appointment of an alderman to be the library liaison. In place of meeting with the nominating committee, L. Morrison made a motion to ask if all current officers would like to remain in their respective offices. All responded that they would be open to keeping their positions. Therefore, B. Reed seconded the motion to eliminate the need to have the nomination committee meeting. All agreed. Motion carried.

D. Grimmer reminded the board members to file their "economic interest form" with St. Clair County by May 1st.

Adjournment There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Seipp
Recording Secretary

Approved by O'Fallon Public Library Board Action

Nancy K. Clark, Secretary