

Notice of this meeting was given in advance with a legal notice posted in the Bridgeport News-Blade. An agenda was delivered to each board member and to the city office.

Meeting was called to order on September 6th, 2022, at 5:30 pm. Roll call was taken. Members present: Amanda Reilly, Rhea Basa, Chuck Murrell. Absent: Janelle Kesterson, Thomas Millette.

Also present: Library Director, Melissa Butler

Friend of the Library Liaison, Beverly Devrous

Chairperson Murrell announced: "In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a copy of the Open Meeting Act is available for review and is posted in the meeting room."

Minutes of the August 2022 meeting were presented. Motion by Reilly, second by Basa to approve the minutes. Ayes: Reilly, Basa, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Kesterson, Millette. Motion carried.

Bills were presented. Butler explained a large expenditure in Repairs and Maintenance due to AC issues at the beginning of the summer. Also of note was a smaller than normal city bill. Last month we were double billed, so we had a credit for this month. Motion by Basa, seconded by Reilly, to approve the bills. Ayes: Reilly, Basa, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Kesterson, Millette. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Butler told the board the check from the IRA did arrive but was written to the incorrect recipient. She sent a request to have the check reissued and is waiting for the new check to arrive.

The proposed 2022/2023 library budget is still under review by the City Council. Butler will attend the next budget meeting on September 15th at 5:30. She does not foresee any issues with the budget being approved. The other issue Butler is still working with the City Council on is that of the firehall. She will talk further with the council on this matter at the next council meeting, also on September 15th.

The laptop approved last month was purchased for \$1249.99. Butler watched prices for the next week, and the price on that computer dropped \$150. Due to this, Butler asked for a price match credit. This credit brought the computer to \$1099.99, just under our state aid amount.

Butler has received a \$300 scholarship to attend the NLA Conference in October.

NEW BUSINESS

Butler has been given access to the City's website and has started updating and adding to the Library's page. She asks board members to go to the site and let her know if anything is missing or not working properly.

Butler has asked to close for inventory on Wed, September 28th and Thursday, September 29th. Reilly moves to close the library for inventory on the 28th and 29th. Basa seconded the motion. Ayes: Reilly, Basa, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Kesterson, Millette.

The FoL has purchased a new bookshelf for the children's section. It holds board books and toys. The shelf that was being used for board books is now in the main library and holds the FoL Year-long Book Sale Books.

Maker Club starts this week and is split into two days.

Sarah Strawn has requested the library allow the Girl Scouts to stay until 7:30 on Tuesdays, due issues finding volunteers earlier in the evening. Butler said Tuesdays are not good for the library due to Storytime already being scheduled that night. Also, Butler does not think we can stay open for one group, if we do not make this available for anybody who happens to ask, due to the policy. After some discussion, the Board asked Butler to suggest Sarah ask the City, if she can use the firehall instead. No decision was made at this time as to whether the library would allow the GS to stay late.

On the agenda for the next meeting

Director Evaluation

Motion by Basa to adjourn at 6:05 pm, seconded by Reilly. Ayes: Reilly, Basa, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Kesterson, Millette. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, October 4th at 5:30 pm.