

MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

April 27, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order by President Gill at 4:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present (voting member):

Sharon Gill

Robert Braam

Kelly Davis

Keri English

Chris Sunday

Not Present:

Kim Ciuffini

Chris Boeringa

Library Staff:

Ashley Hopper, Director

Nicole Silberman, Admin. Assistant

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS: None

MINUTES: Approved as written.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Filed for audit.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Some staff members will attend a Library conference in Rosemont on May 7. Also discussed closing the library on August 7 for all staff to attend a conference at Coal City Library.

PAYMENT OF SPECIAL BILLS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget Committee: Budget committee met on April 20, 2015 to discuss 2015-2016 working budget. Trustee Davis motioned and Vice President Braam seconded the motion to approve the 2015-16 working budget as proposed by the committee. Motioned passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Parking Lot Project: The Village Planning Commission will meet 4/28/15 to discuss proposed parking lot project. If approved, project will be presented to the Village Board for approval on May 5. Drawings from Robinson Engineering showing that the parking lot will have 30 spaces and have an entrance off of First Street and the alley, were reviewed. The board agreed to having a fence installed to meet the screening requirement rather than plant trees as the cost was significantly lower.

Swearing in of Newly Elected Trustees: Sharon Gill and Kelly Davis were sworn in after being reelected at the recent election. Kim Ciuffini and Chris Boeringa were not present for swearing in but will be sworn in next month.

Landscaping proposals: The board reviewed landscaping proposals from Clean Gardens, Dutch Barn, and Autumn Ridge Landscaping. It was unanimously agreed upon to hire Autumn Ridge Landscaping for the various landscaping improvements on the property.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS: None

ADJOURNMENT: 5:28 pm

Respectively submitted,

Nicole Silberman
Administrative Assistant