

Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District Board Minutes

July 27, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order by President Gill at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present (voting member)

Sharon Gill

Robert Braam

Kim Ciuffini

Chris Sunday

Keri English

Kelly Davis

Not Present

Chris Boeringa

Library Staff:

Ashley Hopper, Director

Changes to the Agenda: Executive Session will be called for the Property Purchase under Unfinished Business.

Public Comment: None

Audience to Visitors: None

Minutes: Approved as written

Correspondence: None

Financial Report: Filed for audit

Payment of Special Bills: None

Director's Report: Director Hopper discussed the request of a patron to remove a DVD available from the collection. After some discussion with the Board, it was agreed to leave the material on shelf and send the patron a response regarding the reconsideration of material.

Committee Reports:

Budget – A motion was made by Secretary Ciuffini to approve Ordinance 15-2 – the Construction/Maintenance Levy. This was seconded by Trustee Davis. A roll call vote was taken, with all in favor.

Unfinished Business:

Parking Lot Project – The project is scheduled to begin on August 10, taking approximately 3 weeks to finish.

Property Purchase - 245 First Street. The library's attorney recommended a site 1 assessment at a cost of \$2500 per lot. Director Hopper will ask about the previous assessment on the property next door, if it included the information on this property.

Executive Session: A motion was made by Trustee English to move into executive session at 5:00 p.m. This was seconded by Trustee Sunday, with all in favor. The Board moved out of executive session at 5:05 p.m.

A motion was by Vice-President Braam to offer \$103,000 for the Bradley property, and authorizing Director Hopper to go up to \$105,000. This was seconded by Treasurer English. A roll call vote was taken, with all in favor.

Property Purchase:

245 First Street

Resolution 15-1 – approving the purchase of 245 E. First Street. Motion to accept made by Vice-President Braam and seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call vote taken, all in favor.

Ordinance 15-3 – authorizing property acquisition and proposing a finance plan. Motion to accept made by Vice-President Braam and seconded by Treasurer English. Roll call vote taken, all in favor.

241 First Street

Resolution 15-2 – approving the purchase of 241 E. First Street. Motion to accept made by Vice-President Braam and seconded by Trustee Sunday. Roll call vote taken, all in favor.

Ordinance 15-4 – authorizing property acquisition and proposing a finance plan. Motion to accept made by Vice-President Braam and seconded by Treasurer English. Roll call vote taken, all in favor.

Adjournment: 5:22 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Kim Ciuffini
Library Board Secretary