

MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

August 22, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order at 4:40 pm.

ROLL CALL: Present: (voting members): Tom Murray, Sharon Gill, Keri English, Julie Mason

Absent: Patti Blatti, Jan Krekel, Krislette Smeets

Library Staff: Ashley Hopper, Director; Marcy Juarez, Admin. Assistant

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS: None.

MINUTES: Minutes from July 25, 2022 board meeting were approved as written.

Minutes sign off January - June of 2022 approved as written.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: July Financials will be filed as presented.

PAYMENT OF SPECIAL BILLS: None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Hopper gave an update on summer reading, emergency lighting was replaced, the hiring of new pages and a current employee going to full time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Outdoor Locker Update - The delivery of the lockers is still pending. The electric was run to the location as well as an outlet for the required internet. We will need to obtain a camera for the outside of the building.

Tax Appeal Updates - Jackson Generation has appealed. Elwood Energy Plant 1 and 2 have a tax assessment appeal hearing in November.

Elwood Property Purchase Updates- The property has undergone an environmental inspection, Phase 1 and Phase 2 were completed. There will need to be some asbestos remediation. Scheduled closing date is September 9, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS:

Serving our Public Chapters 5 & 6 reviewed by Trustee English.

Ordinance 22-9 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance- A motion was made to approve the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 22-9 by Trustee English and seconded by Trustee Murray. The motion was passed unanimously by those in attendance with a roll call vote (Ayes- Gill, English, Mason, Murray/absent – Blatti, Krekel, Smeets).

Resolution 22-2 - A motion was made to adopt Resolution 22-2 by Trustee English and seconded by Trustee Murray. The motion was passed unanimously by those in attendance with a roll call vote (Ayes- Gill, English, Mason, Murray/absent – Blatti, Krekel, Smeets).

Resolution 22-3- A motion was made to adopt Resolution 22-3 by Trustee Mason and seconded by Trustee English. The motion was passed unanimously by those in attendance with a roll call vote (Ayes- Gill, English, Mason, Murray/absent – Blatti, Krekel, Smeets).

Ordinance 22-10 - A motion was made to approve the plans for purchase of property and the finance plan for the purchase of 111 Mississippi in Elwood by Trustee English and seconded by Trustee Mason. The motion was unanimously by those in attendance with a roll call vote (Ayes- Gill, English, Mason, Murray/absent – Blatti, Krekel, Smeets).

PMA Investment Renewal - A motion was made to roll over the investment account to another 3-month interest bearing CD by Trustee English and seconded by Trustee Murray. The motion was unanimously by those in attendance with a roll call vote (Ayes- Gill, English, Mason, Murray/absent – Blatti, Krekel, Smeets).

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Marcy Juarez, Administrative Assistant