

MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

September 26, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order at 4:33 pm.

ROLL CALL: Present: Tom Murray, Sharon Gill (arrived late), Keri English, Julie Mason, Krislette Smeets, Jan Kreckel, Patti Blatti

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

CHANGES TO AGENDA: Yes, moving Tax Levy Hearing to first item on the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Yes. The Guzy Family (Elwood) attended to the meeting to discuss the Tax Levy.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS:

MINUTES: Minutes from August 22, 2022 board meeting were approved as written.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: August Financials will be filed as presented.

PAYMENT OF SPECIAL BILLS: None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Hopper gave an update on the smart lockers, book supplier issues and library card sign up month.

COMMITTEES: None.

Budget Committee - None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Outdoor Locker Update - The lockers are onsite. Ads will go out regarding signing up for locker service. Estimated time for activation is mid-October.

Tax Appeal Updates - Legal has issued a letter of settlement, no response as of yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 22-11 Tax Levy Ordinance- Tax Levy Hearing- A motion was made to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance 22-11 by Trustee Blatti and seconded by Trustee Smeets. The motion was passed (6 ayes, 0 no, 1 absent) with a roll call vote.

Serving our Public Chapters 7 & 8 reviewed by Trustee Mason.

Insurance EE Benefit - A motion was made to eliminate insurance plan PPO 750 from options that FT employees can choose. The motion was made by Trustee English and seconded by Trustee Mason. The motion was passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

New Phone System- A motion was made to approve a new phone system from ClearVoice by Trustee Smeets and seconded by Trustee English. The motion was passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Marcy Juarez, Administrative Assistant