

MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

April 22, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order at 4:35 pm.

ROLL CALL: Present: (voting members): Sharon Gill, Robert Braam, Kim Ciuffini, Keri English, Chris Boeringa, Jan Krekel, John Burke
Library staff: Ashley Hopper, Director; Nicole Silberman (Admin. Assistant)

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS: None

MINUTES: Minutes from March 25, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

CORRESPONDENCE: Trustees received invitation to the State of the Village Luncheon

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Filed for audit

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Hopper reported that the library will be doing a "Mother's Day" fundraiser where people can purchase a book in honor of their mom and receive a hand crafted rose made from recycled book pages. The library will participate in "Explore More Illinois" which is a free service from RAILS that offers free or reduced admission to local museums. Director Hopper also reported that RAILS will be providing resources and webinars to help libraries plan for the upcoming minimum wage increase.

PAYMENT OF SPECIAL BILLS: None

COMMITTEES:

Serving our Public: Treasurer English reviewed and discussed Chapter 11 (System and ILLINET Membership Responsibilities) and 12 (Safety) and concluded that we are in compliance.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Trustee Interview – Terry Ralston attended the meeting and expressed interest in joining the library board. He will be officially appointed and sworn in at the May meeting.

Financial Decisions – General discussion took place regarding future financial planning in regards to debt management and saving for future projects. An ordinance will need to be drafted and approved to accumulate funds for future debt payoff. Also discussed the possibility of budget planning to include book mobile purchase in the future.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:38 pm

Respectively submitted,

Nicole Silberman, Administrative Assistant