

MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

September 23, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order at 4:32 pm.

ROLL CALL: Present: (voting members): Sharon Gill, Robert Braam, Kim Ciuffini, Keri English, Jan Krekel, Patti Blatti; Not Present: Terry Ralston
Library staff: Ashley Hopper, Director; Nicole Silberman (Admin. Assistant)

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS: None

MINUTES: Minutes from August meeting were approved as written.

CORRESPONDENCE: Opportunity available for trustees to attend “Seeing the Financial Forest thru the Trees” training session.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Filed for audit

PAYMENT OF SPECIAL BILLS: None

DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Director Hopper reported that the library waived over \$500 in overdue fines for patrons as part of September promotion. Discussed repairs to be made to electrical box after damage was discovered after a recent power surge in the library. Director Hopper also shared information about a community calendar with other taxing bodies in Manhattan.

COMMITTEES:

Serving Our Public: Treasurer English reviewed and discussed Chapter 4 (Facilities) and Chapter 5 (Technology) Secretary Ciuffini will review Chapters 6 and 8 for October meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance 19-7 – An ordinance electing participation in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund – cost information for estimated expenses related to IMRF and new minimum wage obligations for the next 5 years was presented. Approval of ordinance tabled until October meeting as further clarification needed.

Resolution 19-3 – A Resolution to appoint an Authorized Agent for administration of IMRF – also tabled until October meeting for further clarification.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 19-6 – Tax Levy Ordinance; Secretary Ciuffini motioned and Vice President Braam seconded the motion to adopt Tax Levy Ordinance #19-6. Motion passed unanimously with roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:06 pm

Respectively submitted,

Nicole Silberman
Administrative Assistant