Mayville Public Library Board Meeting January 14, 2021

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Board President Grant Larson. Present through Zoom: Grant Larson, Geri Feucht, Rachel Forster, Mike Schmidt, Sue Smith and Librarian Jennifer Stasinopoulos. Excused: Dianne Slater. Absent: Lee Zarnott.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Minutes: After review, Smith made a motion to accept the 12/10/2020 minutes with no changes. Forster seconded. All agreed.

4. City Budget Report: After review, Schmidt moved and Smith seconded to accept the December, 2020 reports. Accepted.

5. Payment of Bills: After review, the motion and second to approve payment of the December, 2020 bills was made by Smith and Schmidt. Motion approved. The totals for December are as follows: General Fund: \$3,183.90; Dodge County: \$1,201.00; Library Trust Fund: \$2,334.35; Total: \$6,719.25.

6. Library Treasurer's Report: After a short review Schmidt made a motion to accept the December, 2020 report. Smith seconded. Accepted.

7. Library Director's Report: A. LIBRARY STATISTICS: Jennifer presented the December, 2020 receipts and statistics. B. MEETINGS/ ACTIVITIES: Jennifer gave a short review of today's Monarch Director's Council meeting, including information about changes to some digital subscriptions. Jennifer also updated the board on some staff training and policy and procedure changes she has made or is considering. In addition, materials quarantine time is shortening to 24 hours, per new DPI guidelines. FRIENDS GROUP /UPCOMING EVENTS: The Friends have officially existed for seven years today. Group officers are planning to meet via Zoom next week, when we will assess the past year and plan a general meeting in the near future, when our annual meeting normally takes place. We will discuss possible programs. C. BUILDING: Nothing new to report. D. STAFF/ UPCOMING EVENTS: 1. The new director officially started on December 14, 2020. Smith moved to accept the Director's Report. Seconded by Forster. Accepted.

8. Unfinished Business:

A. Update on new Library project:

1. Library Building project: continued discussion with possible action on Lib. Bldg. Committee recommendations. The Building Committee is not currently meeting but there is hope that as Covid conditions improve we may begin meeting again during the spring.

2. Discuss with possible action: Mayville Public Library Campaign Planning Committee update. Larson reported some recent donations. 40% of our fundraising goal has been met.

9. New Business:

A. Discuss with possible action:

1. Recognition of Retiring Director. After a short discussion, Schmidt made a motion

to reimburse for a \$200 gift card for Alixe according to past practise. Smith seconded. Passed.

2. Survey to middle school and high school students and staff regarding desires for new library. Jennifer explained that she plans to survey Mayville middle and high school students about what they would like to see in the new Library.

3. What the Board and Director envision for the library in 2021. We had a short discussion about what the board hopes will happen in the Library during the months ahead, taking into account the Coronavirus and the many demands on a new director.

B. Discussion of overview of library building project for new director. Board members shared their recollection of future library plans before the Pandemic put building plans on hold. The board answered many pertinent questions from Jennifer.

10. Adjournment – Next meeting February 11, 2021 at 6 p.m. At 7:25 Schmidt made a motion to adjourn. Smith seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Geri Feucht, Secretary

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