

Putnam County Public Library District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
January 13th, 2020

1) The Putnam County Public Library Board was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Bob Steele, President.

2) Roll Call:

Present:

Bob Steele, President
Joan Augustine, Treasurer
Merry Bassi, Secretary
Sean Brannon, Trustee
Bob Hamann, Trustee
Sally Young, Trustee

Absent:

3) Correspondence, communications, and public comments: Peggy Smith, Magnolia & McNabb librarian, came to inform the board that the library had been awarded three AEDs from St. Margaret's Hospital. Standard library does have an AED in association with the Senior Center. Sally Young motioned to accept the AEDs. Bob Hamann second. Motion carried. Jay Kalman will decide which libraries will receive the AEDs and the training needed.

4) Committee Reports: The Board received several letters from Granville library users asking that the library not close at noon on Saturday.

5) Consent Agenda, Librarian's Report: Bob Hamann motioned to accept the consent agenda as presented. Sean Brannon second. Motion carried. A request was made for more history to be shown on several of the key statistics.

6) Financial report: Joan Augustine motioned to approve the Financial Report as presented. Bob Hamann second. Motion carried.

7) Approval of Bills: Sean Brannon motioned to approve the bills for approval as recorded. Bob Hamann second. Motion carried. Jay Kalman will investigate phone/internet options for Standard.

8) Unfinished Business:

a) Condit Building: Dave Boucher, Senachwine Township Board, came to discuss the possibility of swapping buildings. For now, this is an idea for discussion. The township building is handicap accessible, has good parking, kitchen, office, meeting room, has room for the current library books. Everything is in good shape. There are issues that would have to be addressed, such as electricity re-metering, voting days.

b) Replacement Taxes: No update at this time.

c) Unstaffed libraries: Jay Kalman met with the Senergy Technologies representative regarding leasing prices. Numbers will be present at the next meeting.

d) Library Trustee: One person has expressed interest in the library trustee position.

e) Building plan: Fred Schlipf visited Hennepin, Granville, and Condit. We'll need to attend his March classes in Urbana. We'll receive a long term plan on how to improve the library buildings.

9) New Business:

a) 2020 Standard Mileage Rate: The new rate is 57.5 cents per mile. Sean Brannon motioned to accept the milage. Bob Hamann second. Motion carried.

b) Daryl Alleman's family donated his book collection to our library. We'll need to publicly recognize the family for the donation.

c) Jay Kalman's health insurance company is requiring that the library pay for his insurance. Jay will reimburse the difference.

10) Signing of paperwork (minutes, bills, other):

11) Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Next regular Putnam County Public Library District Board meeting is scheduled for February 10th, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Merry Bassi, Secretary