Marshalltown Public Library Board of Trustees June 24, 2014

PRESENT: Leah Mattox, Allan Thoreson, Tom Colbert, Maureen Lyons, Ronnie Manis, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy and Joa LaVille. Absent: Sue Fink and Barbara Burt

President Maureen Lyons called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

MAY 27, 2014 MINUTES: The minutes of the May 27, 2014 minutes were approved as written.

OPERATING BILLS: It was moved by Allan Thoreson and seconded by Ronnie Manis to approve the operating bills. The motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS: Park & Rec removed the dead rose bushes and new bushes were purchased and planted.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Joa LaVille reported on the youth department's summer reading program. She personally spoke to every K-6 child in the public schools inviting them to participate in summer reading. "Fizz, Boom, READ" is the theme for the science-themed program which is open to all children from pre-readers to fluent readers including special needs adults. 950 have signed up so far and 15 teens have signed up for the Teen Summer Program. There are 45 participants in the Volunteen program. There are two aspects to the summer program: reading incentives and programming. Programs range from "Toddlers and 2's" (babies through 36 months), storytime for 3-6 year olds, special programs offered by the Science Center and IPTV and programs for Rogers University and the Police Department's Student Academy.
- B. The Adult Summer Program's theme is "Literary Elements" and a crime scene investigation program and paranormal program will be offered.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- A. The prairie garden is blooming and looking good. The west and east ends are being mowed and someone has been hired to do some hourly work . Jean Bergen continues to care for the east side and Gary Fulton has offered some Master Gardener hours.
- B. Novelist is now available on the on-line catalog and lists series titles and order as well as recommendations of titles and authors.
- C. June 30 is the end of the fiscal year. The budget for the new fiscal year is still not known.
- D. Katie Fink and Jenelle Hutchens recently attended a SIRSI Dynix workshop in Cedar Rapids.
- E. Two new AWE stations were purchased for the Youth Department from funds awarded in conjunction with the National Medal.

Allan Thoreson reminded that new Board officers will be elected in July.

There was no public comment.

The next meeting will be July22, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08pm.