Marshalltown Public Library Board of Trustees March 28, 2017

PRESENT: Judy Lindholm, Allan Thoreson, Maureen Lyons, Robert Untiedt, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy Absent: Ronnie Manis, Megan Bell, Leah Mattox

Secretary Judy Lindholm called the meeting to order at 4:31pm.

FEBRUARY 28, 2017 MINUTES: The minutes of the February 2017 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

OPERATING BILLS: It was moved and seconded (Lyons/Thoreson) to approve the bills. The motion was unanimously approved. Sarah commented on the soon-to-be completed lighting project. She has been told the project will be billed to the library's operating costs; therefore the rebate will come to the library.

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

- -- RFPs have been sent out for an update of the library's website. Three firms were interviewed and the favored company has worked with many libraries and comes with good references. The name has not yet been released, pending the City Attorney's approval.
- --Budget update: Although there will be a slight reduction in general fund monies in the next budget year, there was an error in a newspaper article saying there will be a \$300,000 cut. That is incorrect. While working for the passage of the library levy, there was initial concern that the library's general fund allocation could be cut because of the additional funds collected from the levy.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- --A new security camera has been installed outside the east entrance. It covers the bike rack, sidewalk and even the Emerson parking lot! Two days after installation, a young boy's stolen bike was recovered with the help of the camera!
- --New FOL officers are: Jeff Hutton, president; Edie Rierson, vice president; Nancy Steveson, secretary and Janice Hubbard, treasurer. The Friends are planning a mini-golf outing as a fundraiser/awareness event on April 30.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-- Bob Untiedt announced that the Orpheum Theater is hosting novelist, Kevin Brockmeier, on Thursday, April 6.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 25.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21pm.