

Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
May 29, 2024
(Postponed from May 21 due to weather)

Members Present: Tonya Gaffney, Kevin Pink, Judy Lindholm, Ashtyn Beek, Erik Hall, Maureen Lyons, Ruzan Morrison

Staff: Sarah Rosenblum, Joa LaVille, Katie Fink

Acting City Administrator: Cindy Kendall

Recording Secretary: Sandy Gowdy

President Tonya Gaffney called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

Public Comment: The following spoke during public comment: John Worden, Ray Mitchum

Board Comment: None offered.

Approval of the Agenda: Moved/Seconded (Lyons/Lindholm) Passed

Approval of the April 16, 2024 Minutes: Moved/Seconded (Pink/Lyons) Passed

Operating Bills: End-of-the year bills included building work, supplies and four EBSCO databases. Moved/Seconded (Morrison/Lindholm) Passed.

Old Business: There was no old business.

New Business:

A: Budget 25/26 Discussion: Cindy Kendall was present to give guidance concerning future budgeting and revenue streams

--Hoopla: Hoopla will be discontinued due to high costs and budget concerns. Patrons will have access to Libby for digital materials.

--Loss of the Special Library Levy: No certainly that the Special Library Levy will be restored by legislative action.

--Roof repair/replacement: these costs are not in the CIP presently and deductible will be factored into replacement cost if needed.

--Staff reported on sustainability of MOBI. Future discussion was tabled until June 18.

Outreach activities for youth and adults will be continued, as staffing permit.

-- The garage project (which was to be funded by the FOL) is on hold for now.

B: Building Update: Windows have been washed, paint has been touched up, a mini boiler (hot water heater) has been replaced, the building is going to be power washed. Sidewalk repair work will be done with CIP funds. Thanks to Nancy Sebern for her volunteer work with the library landscaping.

C: Staffing Update: Welcome to Cecilie Harrison, who will work full-time in the Circulation Department.

D: Staff Reports: Both youth and adult summer reading programs will begin June 1.

E: Director's Report: Library Board President and Sarah will present the library's yearly report to the City Council at its June 24 meeting. Board members are encouraged to attend.

The next meeting will be June 18 at 5:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.