

Notice of this meeting was given in advance with a legal notice posted in the Bridgeport News-Blade. An agenda was delivered to each board member and to the city office.

Meeting was called to order on August 2nd, 2022, at 5:31 pm. Roll call was taken. Members present: Thomas Millette, Chuck Murrell, Amanda Reilly, Janelle Kesterson Absent: Rhea Basa

Also present: Library Director, Melissa Butler

Friend of the Library Liaison, Beverly Devrous

Chairperson Murrell announced: "In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a copy of the Open Meeting Act is available for review and is posted in the meeting room."

Minutes of the July 2022 meeting were presented. Motion by Reilly, second by Millette to approve the minutes. Ayes: Millette, Reilly, Murrell, Kesterson. Nays: None. Absent: Basa. Motion carried.

Bills were presented. Butler explained a large expenditure in Library Resource for book covers and other book processing supplies, as well as a new receipt printer to use during checkouts. The printer will print a receipt of check-out items with due dates and will save time at the circulation desk. Motion by Millette, seconded by Kesterson, to approve the bills. Ayes: Millette, Reilly, Kesterson, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Basa. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Butler told the board the IRA paperwork is complete. Schwab allowed us to change the tax ID from the City of Bridgeport to that of the Friends.

Butler introduced Beverly Devrous as the FoL liaison. She asked for a board member to be a liaison as well. Amanda Reilly has agreed to attend FoL meetings, when available.

The proposed 2022/2023 library budget has been completed and sent to Travis Rodak. The City Council budget meeting is on August 11th at 6pm. Butler will attend the budget meeting and the regular council meeting that same night. She will ask them about the firehouse plans. According to a conversation with Jon Pankowski, it has always been thought the library would expand into that portion. Pankowski told Butler the fire department only wants the smallest bay to store the antique fire truck. They will not need the rest of the building.

NEW BUSINESS

Butler would like to attend the Nebraska Library Association yearly conference in October. She will be gone 3 days and is applying for a scholarship for this conference, to help cover costs.

Butler supplied the board with a copy of an updated Technology Plan. This plan will help the library stay on a schedule to keep the technology up to date. Per this plan, Butler has asked to purchase a second laptop for staff use with state funding the library received this year. After some discussion about what other capabilities the laptop should have, and how it could be used in the future, Millette moved to purchase a VR capable laptop with the \$1112 state funds with the remainder coming out of the appropriate line item. Reilly seconded the motion. Ayes: Millette, Reilly, Kesterson, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Basa. Motion carried.

The Western Library Systems yearly meeting was in July in Scottsbluff. Butler attended this meeting and our library won two Breakout Box kits. This does not include the subscription service for the boxes. Butler is hoping to purchase more Breakout Boxes and the subscription with a grant from Snow Redfern, which she submitted in early July.

On the agenda for the next meeting

Inventory

Motion by Reilly to adjourn at 6:04 pm, seconded by Kesterson. Ayes: Millette, Reilly, Kesterson, Murrell. Nays: None. Absent: Basa. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, September 6th at 5:30 pm.