

ADA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 23, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

The Ada Public Library Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call: Bethany Spieth, present; Ann Donnelly Hamilton, present, Jenny Gargac, present, Brandon Fauber, present, Robert Alexander, present.

The minutes of the December 19, 2022 Re-organizational Meeting was approved by the Board as previously distributed.

The minutes of the December 19, 2022 Regular Meeting was approved by the Board as previously distributed.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORTS:

The Fiscal Officer was not present to review the monthly Financial Report which includes a Receipts report, Payment Report, Income Statement, and Bank Reconciliation. Reports were distributed to all Board members by email prior to the meeting. (see attachment A).

After discussion Bethany Spieth moved, seconded by Ann Donnelly Hamilton to accept the fiscal officer's reports. Roll call: All yea. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: none.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT from Rhett (see attachment B).

The Board held a discussion of LSTA grant process..

The Director commented that the geocaching event was popular and successful, and the Board requested for this event to happen again before December 2023. The Director will plan a geocaching event for the summer.

The Board discussed the options for replacing the brick Library sign next to Main street. The black felt push letter board is no longer made and needs to be replaced.

The Director will investigate options and prices for a new Library sign, as well as applicable Ada Village zoning ordinances.

Letters addressed to the Board from the public were distributed to the Board on December 21, 2022.

Patron concerns over library items addressed by and responded to by the Director.

Ada Services' delay in repairs led to the library being closed for 3 days.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(Open) – Chairperson—Building & Grounds. **The Board discussed installing insulation on the pipes and improved weather sealing of the boiler room door to prevent the pipes from freezing again.**

(Open) – Chairperson—Audit/Finance/Investment. **The Board discussed the levy renewal for November 2023. Shelleigh Alexander is serving on the levy committee and Connie Fleming will be advising.**

(Open) - Chairperson – Publicity-Library Relations/Services (includes Employee Recognition). **None.**

Rhett Grant & Nancy Stauffer – Chairpersons – Records Commission. **None.**

(Open) - Chairperson - Personnel Committee (includes legislation). **None.**

NEW BUSINESS:

The Director commented that the television above the circulation desk was broken and the item will be removed from the library's inventory TV#000671. The Director will be asking friends of the library for donations in order to purchase a new television.

Bethany Spieth brought up the possibility of installing an emergency backup generator for the library so the library could provide community services during an extended blackout. The Director and the Board agreed to look into the feasibility, cost and a funding source for the project.

The Board discussed planning and increasing the number community events in partnership with the Ada community, ONU, and local business for the purpose of education and enlightenment.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

At 10:02 a.m., Bethany Spieth, declared the meeting adjourned.



President



Secretary