

STREATOR PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board Minutes
November 19, 2019

President Dave Reed called the November meeting of the Streator Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:30 p.m.

Present were board members Ed Brozak, Jane Farero, Gloria Gubbels, Spencer Lawrence, Theresa Lukach, Dave Reed, Ellen Vogel and Gary Wheeler and Library Director Cynthia Maxwell.

Board member Ellen Park was absent.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Board secretary Jane Farero presented the minutes of the October board meeting. Motion by Ellen Vogel to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Ed Brozak. Motion passed by voice vote.

The minutes of the October 22, 2019 special meeting were presented. Motion by Ellen Vogel to accept the minutes of the special meeting as presented. Seconded by Spencer Lawrence. Motion passed by voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The monthly treasurer's report was presented. Motion by Theresa Lukach to accept the report as presented. Seconded by Ellen Vogel. Motion passed by voice vote.

Theresa Lukach of the Finance Committee reported that the Endres Endowment is valued at \$100,275.95.

No outstanding bills were presented for payment. The city will be sending a bill to cover the remainder of the cost of the library audit.

CORRESPONDENCE

Three Trees informed the library that they will no longer be able provide snow removal for the library.

The library has received a certified letter from the city announcing the closing out of the first TIFT district.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Boda Electric has converted the back entry light to a LED light and replaced an emergency light fixture.

On Downtown Trick or Treat Day, approximately 1000 children and their parents attended the activities at the library hosted by the Friends of the Streator Public Library.

Director Maxwell attended the ILA Conference on October 22 and the Prairie Cat Delegates Meeting on October 30.

Melvin Plumbing has inspected the boiler and taken care of a related issue in the staff break room. The boiler is set for fall.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Reed will be meeting with the attorney to complete the necessary paperwork to present to the City Council for inclusion of a library referendum for the March 2020 election.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Grounds Chairman Ed Brozak will check with Three Trees on a quote for landscaping costs for 2020. The board was informed that Otto Baum has completed approximately half of the tuck pointing to be done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Electricians will be coming on November 20 to work in the future meeting room. Additional information is needed on the necessary library roof repairs.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed the tax levy information provided by Director Maxwell. Total tax levies for 2020 are \$227,793.00. Motion by Spencer Lawrence to request the stated tax levies. Seconded by Gloria Gubbles. Motion passed by voice vote.

The board reviewed the proposed library budget for 2020. Motion by Theresa Lukach to accept the proposed budget for 2020. Seconded by Spencer Lawrence. Motion passed by voice vote.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Wreith Farero
Board Secretary