

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday, March 2, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Members present: Lou, Emily, Andrew, Sheldon, Karen, Roberta, Terry, Kathy, Sue, Bill

Absent: Lesli, Connie

Meeting called to order by Lou at 6:30 p.m.

Addition to the agenda under New business: Municipal Underwriters of MI. Motion to accept the addition to agenda made by Karen, Terry seconded. All in favor

Minutes of last meeting: On file. Roberta pointed out that it was incorrectly stated that she made the motion to obtain a "chamber gift." as a reward for Amy. Motion was made by Karen and seconded by Sheldon. Karen motioned to approve the minutes as read with the correction made. Lou seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Public Comment: Roberta reported that the Ogemaw Hills Free Clinic is going to have a fundraiser and she will be selling tickets. It is a spaghetti dinner and silent auction to be held April 11. More info will be coming

Treasurers Report: On file. Sue reported that we are 6/10th through the fiscal year and all is looking good. Property taxes are coming in as expected. Motion to accept treasurer's report made by Sheldon, seconded by Terry. All in favor, motion carried.

Librarians Report: Emily, Andrew, Roberta, Sheldon and his wife all were in attendance at the Chamber of Commerce Winter Ball. The library was nominated for Outstanding Business Award in Excellence category. Unfortunately they lost to Edith M's- but a real honor to be nominated! Sheldon commented on the nice write-up Emily and Andrew gave. Books for Lunch is presenting local author Tom Ebel, whom many of us know. This is to be held on the 17th of March. Thanks to Andrew for once again applying for and being approved for the 'Notable Author' site. The library will be hosting an author during the spring. Some authors are well known, and some are more newly discovered.

Emily also wanted the board to know she looked into the MERS payments as was mentioned in a past board meeting, brought up by the audit by Mr. Anderson. This most recent notification shows the increase already in place- the percentage when the audit was done for last year was .08%. This year is 7.2% and projected for next year is 7.96%. As predicted it has been an upward trend.

Old Business: Community Business Expo is April 2 and the Library will have a booth. Any board member who might be interested may join Andrew and Emily. Emily updated the board on the children's furniture: Emily Warnecke is checking with the Rose City elementary school. NEMSCA was called and nothing is available at this time. If the RC school does not pan out Emily will review with the board and plan on ordering from a company that specializes in this type of furniture.

New Business: Board discussed the audit done by Mr. Anderson. His original bid indicated it was good for 3 years. The board was very happy with his work and suggestions. Lou motioned to continue with his firm for the next year's audit, Sue seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Andrew gave a facility update: the AED device has been installed out in the corridor. Some problems with the furnace again and Hacht heating came out. Appears was a frozen line. Also he will check with Hacht on a yearly maintenance for the furnaces. The fence in the back parking lot is broken, and we will look at repairing when the weather breaks. Easter weekend hours were brought up. Per manual, the library is closed on Good Friday. Karen motioned to close on Good Friday and the following Saturday. Sheldon seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Insurance policy renewal is due. There was some discussion on the additional charge of \$63.00 for what the company is calling "terrorism coverage". Although some entertaining conversation was held regarding the necessity of this type of coverage, and the agent was not present this year like he was in the past, the board felt that the need for full coverage should take precedence. Motion made by Karen to pay the insurance policy, \$ 2504.00 plus terrorism coverage, Lou seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next meeting is Monday, April 6th 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m