

PEORIA HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR MEETING
September 12, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Peoria Heights Public Library was held on September 12, 2023 in the Local History Room. Tom Horstmann called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL: The following members answered the roll call: Tom Horstmann, Lisa Brown, Amy Peck and Stefanie Crawford. Absent: Lisa Reinholtz, Becci Bush and Patty Johnson. Also present: Shawn Edwards, Director.

MINUTES: The minutes of the regular meeting of August 2023 were approved as printed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No one from the public was present to offer comments.

BILLS: After examining the bills, Stefanie Crawford moved, seconded by Amy Peck that the bills be approved and paid. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Tom Horstmann, Lisa Brown, Amy Peck and Stefanie Crawford. No Nays, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No Treasurer's Report this month.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Edwards gave the following reports:

The Habben Estate issued a final beneficiary check in the amount of \$16,833.39.

Representatives from Hickory Point Bank met with Director Edwards to discuss deposit options for Habben Estate funds. Alternatives to the current money market account include placing a portion of the funds into higher earning short term CDs. Director Edwards will contact the library's attorney for input.

The library received an Ameren "Love Your Library Grant" of \$2,000 from after being nominated by an Ameren employee. The library joined ILA as an institutional member to accept grant funds using ILA's 501(c)(3) status. Also this month, Helping Hands donated the proceeds from one week's sales, \$1012.28, to the library.

Trustees discussed a revision of the Borrowing Privileges Policy. Amy Peck moved, seconded by Stefanie Crawford that the revision be approved. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Tom Horstmann, Lisa Brown, Amy Peck and Stefanie Crawford. No Nays, motion carried.

Director Edwards requested custodial service quotes from TCRC and CWTC. The quality of the current custodial service has been uneven.

A mahjongg gaming group is now meeting in the library on the second and fourth Mondays of every month from 1-3 p.m. The group is open to the public and new players are welcome to participate.

CityLink is partnering with the library again this September to offer free bus rides to library card holders. Peoria Public Library, Pekin Public Library and Fondulac District Library are also participating in the promotion during Library Card Signup Month.

Christmas Eve is a regular library holiday and falls on Sunday this year. To compensate staff Director Edwards proposed that the library be closed on Tuesday, December 26. After discussion, Stefanie Crawford moved, seconded by Amy Peck that the library be closed on December 26 as a staff holiday. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Tom Horstmann, Lisa Brown, Amy Peck and Stefanie Crawford. No Nays, motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There was no President's Report for September.

NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 10, 2023 in the Local History Room.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public was present to offer comments.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Tom Horstmann adjourned the meeting at 5:22 p.m.