**Fruitport District Library Board of Directors**

**Regular Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 20, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by President Rose Dillon at 5:31 p.m.

Present: Rose Dillon, Ruth Woodward, Junella Rule, Bill Overkamp. and Anna Dudas. Trustee Glenn Bo was excused.

Also in attendance were Matt Lubbers-Moore, Pat Gallagher, Karla Brown, Donna Esch, and Carol Hackney.

The agenda was unanimously accepted as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**  None

**REPORTS**

Secretary’s Report: Motion by Overkamp, supported by Rule to accept the minutes as presented with one spelling correction. (Under Old Business - Sentence should read: They would also like to receive a formal, detailed request of what we would want from them should **WE** choose to remain in our current location. Motion passed unanimously.

Library Report: The Director provided highlights of the written report that board members received prior to this meeting. Most notably, we have surpassed our previous year’s attendance by library patrons and will soon exceed last year’s circulation numbers, as well. The director will conclude the surveys after spring break and provide a report of findings at our next meeting. He also reported that we will again be able to host the summer Feeding America program at our library.

The Board expressed their pleasure with the work the Director is doing and is very excited about the list of upcoming programs and the flyer that has been put together to help advertise these.

Treasurer’s Report: A review of financial information was presented by Trustee Dillon.

A motion was made by Trustee Overkamp, supported by Trustee Rule to approve payment of bills totaling $4,121.60. Passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

**OLD BUSINESS**

New library locations: Discussion continues as we search for solutions to the needs of our library. Trustee Woodward provided a revised copy of the spread sheet from our last meeting. She reported that she has not heard back, after numerous phone calls to the realty company regarding the property at the corner of Quarterline and Mt. Garfield.

Trustee Dudas reported that the property at the corner of Harvey and Pontaluna is still for sale for $1.3million. It is currently owned by Trinity Health who seem unmovitated to sell at this time. The realtor did indicate that the back of the property is very wet, but he is unsure if it qualifies as protected wetland. This may be the reason that developers have not shown an interest in the property. Trustee Dudas will look into this further.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Recommendation of new Trustee Position to Village Council: Trustee Dillon reported on the results of her interviews with two candidates for this open position. A motion was made by Trustee Woodward and supported by Trustee Overkamp to recommend appointment of Nan Riekse. Motion passed unanimously by rollcall vote. Trustee Dillon will send a letter of recommendation to the Village Council so that the appointment can be made if they approve.

Consumers Credit Union CD: A CD has matured at Consumers Credit Union. Motion by Woodward, supported by Dudas to use this money to purchase a new 12 month CD. Motion approved unanimously by rollcall vote.

Approval of conference funds for Director Matt Lubbers-Moore: The Director briefly outlined the expenses for this upcoming conference and explained that the funds would be reimbursed by the Library of Michigan. Motion by Trustee Rule, Seconded by Trustee Overkamp to approve this expenditure. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

Motion by Rule, supported by Overkamp to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Woodward