**Fruitport District Library Board of Directors**

**Regular Meeting**

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

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

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

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

The board welcomed our newest member, Nan Riekse, who is representing the Village.

The agenda was unanimously accepted as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**  None

**REPORTS**

Secretary’s Report: Motion by Bo, supported by Dudas to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Library Report: The Director provided highlights of the written report that board members received prior to this meeting as well as copies of information pamphlets being made available to patrons. Our numbers continue to grow! We also received glowing reports about all the work our wonderful staff is doing.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Bo, supported by Trustee Woodward to approve payment of bills totaling $8,886.01. Passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

Building Report: Bill Weimer was not present but is keeping on eye on the property to determine when the sprinklers should be started. He has indicated to Trustee Dillon that he will be doing the fertilizer applications. It was also reported that there is a window leak – probably due to high winds and rain. He will be taking care of this as well. Matt reported that the basement remains dry.

**OLD BUSINESS**

New library locations: Trustee Overkamp provided a copy of the Village Zoning Rules for us to review. Trustee Woodward reported that the property at the corner of Quarterline and Mt. Garfield which contains the blueberry fields is 17 acres and being sold for $3.2 million. The seller has indicated that they will not divide the property. It is an all or nothing proposition.

The survey regarding library location has concluded. The Director will provide us with a full summery at our next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Consumers Credit Union CD: Trustee Dillon reported that she continues to look into best rates for our CD and will try to have this taken care of by our next meeting.

Old Fashioned Days: Trustee Dillon will contact the scouts about planting flowers in front of the building prior to the festival. The Director will contact Trustee Overkamp to make arrangements for blocking off parking in front of the building.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Karla Brown provided information about preparation for the upcoming book sale to take place during Old Fashioned Days and areas where board members can help. She also reported that she recently heard a member of the community complain about the appearance of the outside of our building, especially the bush near our sign that is growing out of control. Trustee Dillon will ask Bill Weimer to trim that and as we get closer to Memorial Day weekend we should see improvement with new flowers, fertilized and mowed lawn.

Motion by Bo, supported by Rule to adjourn at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Woodward