**Fruitport District Library Board of Directors**

**Regular Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 21, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by President Rose Dillon at 6:07 p.m.

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

Also in attendance were Matt Lubbers-Moore and Pat Gallagher, Ron and Mary Ann Cooper, Bill Weimer, Kyle Osterhardt and other community members.

The agenda was unanimously accepted as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**  None

**REPORTS**

Secretary’s Report: Motion by Bo, supported by Overkamp, 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. The Summer Reading Program was a great success. Donations were received from the Community Foundation of Muskegon County ($1,000), Meijers ($250), and more expected.

On July 19 there was a problem with smoke in the basement, apparently caused by lack of maintenance of filters on the HVAC system. Bill Weimer will contact G & W (Gary Weller) to see if they can take on this duty on a regular basis.

It appears that we are still waiting for final inspection by the State on the boiler system. The state has been paid and the work had its initial inspection by E.W. Anderson.

The library windows have been cleaned, but there is some concern about the stability as well as the condensation between the glass. Bill Weimer will get quotes for repair or possible replacement.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Woodward, supported by Trustee Overkamp to approve payment of July 2024 bills totaling $7,878.27. Passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

Building Report: Bill Weimer reported that he has done weeding and edging along the drive and sidewalks at the library as well as spraying for weeds. The ballasts should be replaced within the next 2-3 weeks, as soon as they become available. He has arranged for Stanley Steemer to come to clean the carpets on August 31, allowing for drying over the weekend. He has also cleaned around the outside lights.

**OLD BUSINESS**

New library locations: Discussion was held prior to the regular meeting which included input from Ron Cooper and answers to some questions by Kyle Osterhardt. We are continuing our search for possible properties and for the possible architects and construction companies.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Adding Kanopy to the digital collection: The director presented information on the benefits of adding “Kanopy” to our digital collection. This is a streaming service that includes television and children’s programs. There appears to be enough in the “materials” line item to cover this cost. The cost would be $1,500 annually. Motion by Trustee Bo, supported by Trustee Riekse to purchase Kanopy for one year and then review to see if we want to continue at that time. Motion passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

Approval for Director to attend Conversation Camp-Library Leaders Cohort. The director has been invited to attend this program in Lansing on September 4 & 5. It is free to attend, but he is asking for hotel costs for one night. He will also receive a $300 stipend to help cover costs.

Motion by Trustee Bo, Supported by Trustee Dudas to approve this request. Motion passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

Flooring in basement storage room: We still have 18-20 boxes of flooring left from the floor replacement in the basement that we do not have any use for. Bill Weimer is interested in purchasing these for his home. He will check to see what the current cost of the same or similar tiles is at Home Depot, at which point we will determine a fair price to sell these to him.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Woodward