

Talcott Free Library Board Meeting  
Monday, January 15, 2024

Members Present: A. Floto, L. Floto, D. Garlow, T. Garlow, Geddeis, Kovanda, Ragaller,  
Director Gove

Members of the Public: 7

President Kovanda called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All rose and pledged allegiance to the flag

Public Comment: Donna Gill, non-resident

Secretary's Report: T. Garlow moved, and Ragaller seconded, to approve minutes of the November meeting as presented. Unanimous approval.

Treasurer's Report: D. Garlow moved, and Geddeis seconded, to approve the November and December treasurer's reports. Motion approved unanimously.

Librarian's Report: L. Floto asked for clarification of the fines reported in Petty Cash, since we have a fine-free policy. Gove explained that other library cardholders sometimes pay fines here that are due to other libraries policies. L. Floto moved, and T. Garlow seconded, to approve this report and the payment of current bills. Unanimous approval. Director's updates: 1) There have been issues with the RTU over the program room. Gove hopes to lessen the cost of the repeated visits by the contractor. 2) Gove recycled packing materials from the new computers, taking a load of Styrofoam to Aurora and another load of cardboard to Loves Park. 3) The December book sale was a success, raising about \$1,000.00 for the library. 4) Gove filed quarterly and annual tax documents, updated the IMRF contribution numbers, and filed our needed documents with the county.

Building and Grounds Report: 1) Roofing work on 113 E. Main is complete, but cleanup of nails was not done properly by the roofers. Several Dairyhäus employees got popped tires as a result. Gove is working on getting reimbursement for them. 2) The space heater installed to protect pipes from freezing is working. No problems reported.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: 1) Director Gove needs to submit the Per Capita Grant application. T. Garlow moved, and A. Floto seconded, to approve the submission. Motion approved unanimously. 2) Kovanda moved, and Geddeis seconded to approve the new one-year lease proposal for the 113 East Main property, to be delivered by Director Gove and to inquire if the lessee would prefer a two-year lease. Motion approved unanimously.

Geddeis moved, and Ragaller seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous approval. Adjournment at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by L. Floto, Secretary