Library Board meeting 8-1-22

Members present: Charlie Mitchell, Shawn Wheeler, Debbie Rickman, Toni Loutzenhiser, Lauren Marion and Sharron Tebo; Shirley Wood. Guests: City Manager Clint Holmes, Mayor Julie Miller, Ruth Kulman and Kara Martus

7:03pm meeting called to order. Approval of meeting minutes from June was motioned by Toni and seconded by Shawn and all were in favor. Motion carried.

Talks on the bills- air-conditioning bill was 750.00. Talks proceeded and we concluded to get multiple quotes to see what to do to fix it permanently. Shawn motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Toni. All are in favor, and motion passed.

Treasure report states we have \$88,447.29 in our checking as of July 31st. Discussion on profit/loss report. Used a \$300.00 White Pines grant to buy books. Two other donations we had were one of \$150.00 from Sacred Hearts Woman Aux for the Elevator Fund. The other was from the family of Linda Swank for \$61.00. Sales of T-shirts netted \$61.00.

Talks on picking a new director went on with an ongoing discussion about what we thought about each one. Debbie made the motion to hire Ruth Kulman as our next director. The motion was seconded by Sharron and Shawn. A roll call vote was; Shawn Wheeler- Yes, Toni Loutzenhiser -yes, Lauren Marion-yes, Sharron Tebo- yes, Charlie Mitchell - No, Debbie Rickman - yes. 5 to 1 vote, so motion passed to hire Ruth. Leaving the discussion and vote for salary till after the finance committee meets with Ruth. Her start date is planned to be on September 1st. Thoughts are that her salary would be till the end of this year as \$937.50, and will change next year in 2023. Shirley would agree to go down to \$12.58 an hour. We will get together as the finance committee to help figure out a formal contract. Ideas that maybe we should talk with our attorney for guidance.

Apollo is still on hold. The District Library is very close. Waiting to hear back from the State. We talked about how the new board will be formed once District Library is in place.

Friends of the Library summer bash will be August 17th with tye dye activity music and a movie! We are now joined with the Michigan Library Association and decided to wait to join American Rural and Small Library (ARSL) while budget revisions are discussed. White pines pays a percent of that. Shirley will contact the person about Amazon Prime account for the library.

We have come up with two names for our who do we call list for when things go wrong with the building. For electrical we have Alex Bartle and then plumbing we have Jeffrey Randolph. Haven't decided on the Heating and Cooling yet.

Next Meeting is Tuesday Sept,6th. Motion to adjourn by Sharron at 7:59pm. Motion was seconded by Shawn and all in favor to adjourn.