

July 6th 2021 Board meeting: Members present: Melanie Robison, Debbie Rickman, Carlie Mitchell and Sharron Tebo. Guest: Mayor Miller and Librarian Shirley Wood. Meeting called to order at 7:01pm with the pledge. Melanie made the motions to approve June 2021 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Debbie, and all were in favor. Motion passed to approve meeting minutes. Motion by Melanie to pay the month's bills as presented, and seconded by Charlie. All in favor to pay the bills, so motion passes. As of May 30th there is \$87,727.37 in our checking account. Debbie was learning how to reconcile with QuickBooks. One small question as to a withdrawal to go ask the bank about. Pay Gerald Kreiner for the lawn care he did. Probably keep him on for next time. We had lots of good comments on our free ice cream for Brown City Days. There are lots of children participating in the summer reading program. Children's Vox books are going to be put out next week.

Who can sit on the board? Discussion. Charlie read to us from the trustee manual book. We wanted to try to change the city charter but this is a lengthy, and expensive process. Most likely will not find volunteers to help with this. Roy Hickman has finished all three patron computers. A few things still need to be loaded on Shirley's computer. She will make a list of what is missing. Still an unsure decision about what to do with Krause Electric. It seems hard for Charlie to set up anything with him for questions. Randy at Mid Thumb Signs did a great job with our new sign. Should we have him install the timer? We looked back at his email to us, and Debbie re-emailed him to get a for sure total cost. We will wait to decide until we hear back. Still waiting on the book drop and the cabinets for the circulation desk.

District Library, From Ann Seuryneck: We must fill out a form she sent. We have the school on board to partner with us and one is all we need. It can take up to two years to finalize. We plan to set up a zoom with Ann soon. Book club is still meeting and going well. Things with Lisa McClain were not as planned. She sent a rep of hers to come, and did phone calls as needed. Public was disappointed. We all thought she would be here. Charlie sent an email for online learning to an educational class for library trustees. Sharron mentioned doing the plaques to honor past board members. She will look into this and Shirley gave her names of past workers and members. Charlie has an old plaque we can get fixed up to use.

Talks about our open house: and should we include a fundraiser for our elevator. Charlie thought maybe Lauren could take some pictures of the basement and we need to come up with ideas to tell the patrons what we could use this space for. We need to get ideas for the open house, and ideas for a book sale. Maybe do a free ice cream when you buy a book like we did during BC days. Other libraries do buy a bag of books. What is the best way to communicate with each other throughout the board? Charlie made a list of everyone's preference. Looking into applying for The Librarians Excellence Award. Yes, we as a group think we should. Charlie is looking into it and will ask us for help if needed. Deadline for it is Aug. 13th, 2021. Talks about honoring our hometown heroes as a slideshow on our tv. Melanie was going to ask Kilian

if he knows anything about how it works. Our next meeting will be Aug. 2nd at 7pm. Motion to adjourn by Melanie, and seconded by Sharron. All in favor of adjourning. Meeting adjourned at 8