

## Board Meeting Minutes 5.17.18

Mr. Scott called the meeting to order. In attendance were George Scott, Mary Carlson, Angie Evans, Jim Huy, and Rebecca Payne. Pam Sheridan was in attendance by phone. There was one community member present-Faith Lindon.

Mr. Scott asked for a motion to move item #5 on the agenda (time for the public to address the board) to be moved to #3 on the agenda. Mrs. Carlson made the motion. Mrs. Evans seconded. **Motion Carried.**

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. No changes were necessary. Mr. Huy made a motion to accept the minutes. Mrs. Carlson seconded. **Motion Carried.**

The treasurer's report was presented. Mrs. Payne reported that there was \$896,490.55 in the treasurer's account and \$24,734.25 in the checking account at the end of April. The library also received \$6108.99 for State Aid. Mrs. Payne pointed out several of the major expenses for March and April which included purchasing a new person counter for the Crane branch, renewing magazine subscriptions for the year, and building insurance.

Next the Library Board invited Faith Lindon to address the board. Ms. Lindon wished to express her opinion on the Crane building renovation project. She was concerned that the board is going to move out of the current building and it will be abandoned. Mr. Scott explained that it is badly equipped for a library and that there are safety concerns to take into consideration, such as the inability to see what is going on in the back of the library. He also pointed out that even if the two buildings were connected it would be difficult for staff to monitor that area effectively, which would create a larger safety issue. Ms. Lindon pointed out that it has been working up to this point and shared how much she loves the current building. She also requested that the conversation be opened to the community to express their opinions on what should be done with the building. Mrs. Carlson asked, "Wouldn't you like to see something better?" Ms. Lindon suggested letting the residents of Crane vote on what they want to see done with the building. Moving the conversation forward Mr. Scott brought up additional issues there are with the building's ADA compliance. Mrs. Carlson also pointed out that while the current building is better than what Crane used to have, the renovation of the new building will be even better. Mr. Scott suggested that Ms. Lindon write a letter to Mrs. Payne detailing what she would like to see in this building project. Mr. Huy explained that the first part of this project is to address structural issues with the building, and then the rest of the project will be addressed. Ms. Lindon asked for a timeframe on the project. Mr. Scott said that the rest of 2018 would be spend planning for the project and then it would be an estimated year and a half for renovation. Mr. Huy said that the cost of the project would affect the time frame. Mr. Scott said that the time for community input will be down the road and that we will publish it in the newspaper, so that residents are aware of what is going on.

Next Mrs. Payne presented the Librarian's report. First, she shared an update on the lease agreement with Blue Eye. Mrs. Payne went to a Village Meeting in April to meet with the Village Council and discuss the agreement. They did not vote on the agreement at that meeting and she has not heard back to know if it has been approved or not. Mrs. Sheridan had also not heard back. Mrs. Payne shared with the board that Blue Eye's council want to see some sort of good-faith effort to show that they intend to build a building in Blue Eye, since the current lease was only supposed to be for two years. They would like to see the library acquire some land at the very least, preferably a piece of land near the schools. The Library was under the impression that the former Superintendent of the Schools in Blue Eye planned

to give the library some land for a library. Mrs. Payne shared that she will be meeting with the new Superintendent in June to discuss the matter. Mr. Scott said that if Blue Eye could give us 2-3 years we can build a building in Blue Eye. Mrs. Sheridan feels that they want us to know that they want us to move forward. Mr. Scott asked her to find out how much time they would give us in the current building and how much they want per month for the lease. He also asked Mrs. Payne if she could go down and sign an agreement once one is reached, to which she replied that she can.

Also, in the librarian's report she shared that she had presented the 2017 Annual Report to the County Commissioners in April. She had also met with the librarians at Reeds Springs School District to discuss getting students signed up for ecards. In preparation for Summer Reading Program Mrs. Payne and Ms. Roman have visited Hurley and will visit Galena and Reeds Springs Elementary schools. Crane bused their students to the library in Crane. Staff at Blue Eye will handle reaching out to the elementary students there.

Mrs. Payne shared that library staff had some trouble with their keys not working in the exterior door locks. They were concerned that someone had been messing with the locks. She will have a locksmith come out to check on the doors. Mrs. Carlson asked if there are security cameras in place. Mrs. Payne said there are not. Mr. Scott asked Mrs. Payne to get bids for a security system.

Mrs. Payne then updated the board on a few important upcoming dates including window cleaning at the Galena and Crane branches on June 11<sup>th</sup>, a conference she would be attending on June 7-8<sup>th</sup>, and the auditors visiting on May 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Scott moved to adjourn, and Mrs. Evans seconded and the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held July 19, 2018 at 3 PM.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Payne, Secretary