

Stone County Library

Regular Board Meeting

February 24, 2021

Beginning Time: 1:07 PM

Ending Time: 1:50 PM

The Board of Trustees of the Stone County Library met in regular session (yet delayed, due to weather) on Wednesday, February 24, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President George Scott. Those present were George Scott, Angie Evans, Steve Seaton, and Pam Sheridan via phone. Public presence: Mr. John Powers.

Mr. Scott called the meeting to order. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Ms. Evans made a motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting. Ms. Sheridan seconded the motion. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report:

Before treasurer's report was reviewed, Ms. Payne informed the board of Ms. Sheridan's resignation from the board, effective March 1st. The balance for the treasurer's cash at the end of January was \$481,535.87 and the building reserve was at \$107,894.17. Ms. Payne reported that there will be a big expense in February, which will be reflected on treasurer's report at next meeting. It is the Galena building payment of approximately \$82,000. There was also an HVAC repair expenditure for a condenser replacement of approximately \$3400.00 from January that the board approved of via email. Mr. Scott asked from where the large maintenance expenditures were taken and from where revenue comes? Ms. Payne explained that the maintenance line covers minor repairs to safe guard the building reserve account. She, also, reported that we receive approximately 50% of our revenue from property taxes in the first three months of the year, and that January's income was higher than what she projected. The rest will trickle in each month for the rest of the year. Ms. Evans made motion to accept treasurer's report. Ms. Sheridan seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Librarian's Report:

Crane

Nothing to report.

Galena

A bid from Hamby Construction came at approximately \$10,426. This includes removing 2 big fixtures and replacing them with industrial fans. The lights were originally budgeted at \$10,000. Mr. Seaton made motion to accept bid from Hamby Construction for lighting and fan installation. Ms. Evans seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Blue Eye

Roof is still leaking. Water spots are forming on ceiling tiles above library materials. Not sure how the Village of Blue Eye is going to correct it.

No motion needed on Librarian's Report.

Other Business

Ms. Payne requested that all branches begin in-person programs the first of April. Mr. Scott said if she was comfortable with that decision it was fine, but recommended to ask for staff and patrons to be masked. No motion needed.

Ms. Payne also discussed the annual report, which will be given to the county commissioners and our state representatives, along with a cover letter stating the importance of libraries in the community. No motion needed.

Ms. Payne also requested the need for a surplus sale to clear out the old shelving, old furniture and such to make space in the garage for teen programs, instead of finding or building storage. She wants to utilize the company Purple Wave. Mr. Seaton said he has used them and is familiar with the company and it is reputable. Mr. Seaton made a motion to utilize Purple Wave for a surplus sale. Ms. Evans seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Ms. Payne reported that Sharon at Simmons Bank was able to free up the CD to be cashed out. The amount will be designated to Crane. Ms. Evans made motion to cash out CD. Mr. Seaton seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Next regular meeting: March 18th, 2021 at 1:00 pm.

Ms. Evans made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Seaton seconded the motion. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully,

Rebecca Payne, Director