

Stone County Library

Regular Board Meeting

February 18, 2022

Beginning Time: 1:08 PM

Ending Time: 2:00 PM

The Board of Trustees of the Stone County Library met in regular session on Thursday, February 18, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Board President George Scott. Present were Steve Seaton and Angie Evans.

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Mr. Scott mentioned that the “other business” section was not included in the minutes. Mr. Seaton made a motion to approve the minutes, with addendum, from previous meeting. Mrs. Evans seconded the motion. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

#### **Treasurer’s Report:**

The balance for the treasurer’s cash at the end of January was \$472,660.36 and the building reserve was at \$108,282.52. Ms. Payne reported that revenue from the county was a little higher than expected, likely to compensate for the lower income in December. She shared that the large payment for the Galena building would be due at the end of February, and would be approximately \$81,000. Mr. Scott asked how many years were left on the payments, and Ms. Payne shared that it would be completed at the beginning of 2027. Mr. Seaton asked if the library could pay ahead. Mr. Scott shared that the payments had been refinanced several years ago, so there is not an option to pay ahead. Mrs. Evans made motion to accept treasurer’s report. Mr. Seaton seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

#### **Librarian’s Report:**

Ms. Payne’s Librarian’s Report presented the monthly statistics. January was a tough month, with weather and illness. Digital item circulation is still much higher than in the past. Computer use went up a bit.

#### **Crane**

The inner front door is in need of an accessibility button. Ms. Payne is looking into options. Mr. Scott suggested a button at the desk, so staff could open the door for patrons who need assistance.

#### **Galena**

Galena had new automatic paper towel dispensers installed in the bathrooms and kitchen.

#### **Blue Eye**

Blue Eye hiring has been completed. Lauri has stepped into her roll providing outreach and children’s programs.

#### **Additional Information**

Ms. Payne reported that she took the library annual report to the County Commissioners. Overall, they were positive towards the library's achievements. They would like the library to rebuild its savings account.

Mrs. Payne also shared that staff are planning for Summer Reading Program, which includes visits to the local schools. This year, Reeds Spring will also receive visits from staff.

Missouri Evergreen, the library's ILS consortium, will be upgrading in April. Additionally, the consortium is now requiring catalogers to complete certification training. Ms. Payne shared that Debbie Bridges, the library cataloger, will have 6 months to complete the training.

**No motion needed** on Librarian's Report.

#### **New Business**

No new business.

Next regular meeting: March 17, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

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

Respectfully,

Rebecca Payne, Director