Stone County Library

Regular Board Meeting

February 16, 2023

Beginning Time: 1:09 PM

Ending Time: 1:58 PM

The Board of Trustees of the Stone County Library met in regular session on Thursday, February 16, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Board vice-president Steve Seaton. Present were Angie Evans, George Scott and John Powers (via phone).

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

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Ms. Payne reported that bulk deposit from county at approximately $592,034.81 came in with another big chunk to come in before the end of the month, along with State A & E. Treasurer’s Cash is now $800,892.76. Building Reserves is at 108,558.14. Mr. Scott made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report. Ms. Evans seconded the motion. All in favor. **Motion carried**.

**Librarian’s Report:**

Annual report was presented to the Commissioners. It was mentioned if there is an opportunity in the future to have a permanent location in the southern part of the county. Commissioners mention partnering with either the Health Department or the Stone County Disabilities Board. Both locations would be in Reeds Spring and board would like our location to be farther south.

Library Advocacy Day was in Jefferson City in January. Ms. Payne was unable to attend, but was able to talk with Brad Hudson and has plans to talk with Karla Eslinger the week of February 20th. Regarding the proposal from the State Secretary of Libraries. A revision has been submitted and if passed, MLA will file a lawsuit.

Missouri Evergreen had an upgrade and things went smoothly.

Ms. Payne finally reported that much of the staff will be attending training in the months of March and April.

**Crane**

Circulation is consistent. Corner door entrance had to be reinforced. Frame was detaching from wall. Still waiting on bids from roofing company to get work done.

**Galena**

Circulation is consistent even though patron visits are down. Handicap accessibility buttons are down due to circuit board failure. The city will partner with us for a community Easter Egg Hunt. Mr. Seaton recommended Sunny Bunny for candy filled eggs.

**Blue Eye**

Received a board applicant, Sandy Haynes. It has been submitted to the commissioners and she should be appointed by board meeting in March.

**Reeds Spring Holds Locker**

Usage is up.

**Outreach**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Future Goals**

Looking into finding a permanent location to better serve the southern county.

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

**New Business**

Two bids were submitted for repairs for the handicap accessibility buttons at Galena. Mr. Scott made motion to accept the bid from Mike Carlson. Ms. Evans seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried**.

Ms. Payne presented the board with two options for the purchase of AED machines for all 3 locations. Concern with purchase of one for Blue Eye due to low patron visits, but after discussion of those that visit being of senior age, the remoteness of Blue Eye and that the AED is not a fixed structure, it was decided to go ahead. Ms. Payne informed the board that staff members have been trained to use AED machines. Mr. Scott made the motion to purchase 3 machines, up to but not exceeding $5,000, with brand being at the Director’s discretion. Mr. Seaton seconded. All in favor. **Motion carried**.

Ms. Payne informed the board about an acre of land near Silver Dollar City for $160,000. She was asked about properties available in Kimberling City. The buildings are beyond repair, the square footage is too small, or the price is too high for the need. The board decided not to do anything right now, but for the Director to continue to look for places in the Mule/Kimberling City area. **No motion needed.**

Next regular meeting: March 15th, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

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

Respectfully,

Rebecca Payne, Director