

**NIPPERSINK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
December 8, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the Nippersink Public Library District at the Nippersink Library, 5418 Hill Road, Richmond, Illinois, was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Vice President Drew Knobloch.

PRESENT

Trustees Adrienne Adams, Brett Bieder, Drew Knobloch, Sue Rekenhaller and Library Director Cynthia Cole were present. Trustees Robert Johnston, Michelle Jordan and Sandra Peterson were absent.

RECOGNITION OF SECRETARY

Trustee Rekenhaller was recognized as Secretary. Director Cole volunteered to act as Recorder.

RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE - None

ADDITIONS – None

MINUTES

A. Approve November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION was made by Trustee Bieder, seconded by Trustee Adams, to approve the November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Voice Vote: All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Review and Approve Warrant #6

Warrant #6 in the amount of \$23,228.22 was reviewed for payment.

MOTION was made by Trustee Rekenhaller, seconded by Trustee Bieder, to approve Warrant #6.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Adams, Bieder, Knobloch, Rekenhaller

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

B. REVIEW MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Director Cole advised that we are approximately \$5,000 over budget for the month ending November 20, 2020. This is primarily due to the lighting project, but should even out.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Cole reminded the trustees that the filing period for nominating petitions for the April 6, 2021 election begins next Monday, December 14. The filing deadline is Monday, December 21 at 5:00 PM.

She also discussed a proposed extension of the IGA with the Village of Spring Grove for commercial property tax rebates. Attorney Smith is reviewing the agreement and will draft a resolution for approval at the January meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Review Chapters 1-4 of Serving Our Public 4.0

Director Cole provided a summary of the checklists for Chapters 1-4 and our progress in meeting the guidelines. She also advised that while SOP 4.0 was published in early 2020, many of the standards have not been updated in years. She also advised that the standards tend to favor larger, well-funded libraries in comparison to smaller libraries and those with budgetary challenges.

NEW BUSINESS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

A. Review Library Phased Reopening Plan

The state is still under Tier 3 mitigation protocols and it appears that may be the case for the foreseeable future. All reports indicate a tough winter ahead, but there is light at the end of the tunnel as vaccines begin to roll out and by spring we may begin to see improvement. Director Cole is recommending that we continue with our current hours and services until we feel confident that we can expand them without having to pull back. We will continue to monitor the situation and evaluate on a monthly basis.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS – None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Vice-President Knobloch declared the meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Cole,

Theresa Sue Rekenhaller, Secretary