

**NIPPERSINK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
February 9, 2021**

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 President Sandra Peterson.

PRESENT

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

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 January 12, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION was made by Trustee Knobloch, seconded by Trustee Bieder, to approve the January 12, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Voice Vote: All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Correspondence from IMRF Regarding PrairieCat Participation

Director Cole reviewed a letter from IMRF advising that they were anticipating approving the PrairieCat application to join IMRF. IMRF further advised that RAILS has agreed to enter an IGA with PrairieCat to be a guarantor for PrairieCat should they be unable to meet their obligations. There is a small amount of potential risk to PrairieCat member libraries, but IMRF will ultimately decide if PrairieCat meets the financial qualifications to join. It appears PrairieCat will likely join IMRF effective July 1, 2021.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Review and Approve Warrant #8

Warrant #8 in the amount of \$26,298.24 was reviewed for payment.

MOTION was made by Trustee Johnston, seconded by Trustee Rekenhaller, to approve Warrant #8.

**Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Adams, Bieder, Johnston, Jordan, Knobloch, Peterson,
Rekenhaller**

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

B. REVIEW MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Director Cole advised that we are approximately \$6,800 over budget for the month ending January 31, 2021. This is primarily due to some large one-time expenses, but should even out.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Cole reminded everyone that they should have received the first e-mail reminder to complete the Statement of Economic Interest. The form should be filed as soon as possible and an e-mail confirmation forwarded to Director Cole. The deadline for filing is May 1.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Review Chapters 9-13 of Serving Our Public 4.0

Director Cole provided a summary of the checklists for Chapters 9-13 and our progress in meeting the guidelines. She again 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. She further advised that the State Library has indicated that reviewing SOP 4.0 in its entirety may be the ongoing requirement for the Per Capita Grant application.

NEW BUSINESS – None

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

A. Review Library Phased Reopening Plan

Director Cole presented a proposal to reopen the library building effective Monday, March 1 with limited hours, but six days of service per week. We would also continue to offer curbside service on a limited basis. The proposed schedule would be transitional until a decision can be made to safely return to regular hours of service. Consensus was reached to move ahead with the initial Reopening Plan as presented by Director Cole.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS – None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, President Peterson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Cole,

Theresa Sue Rekenhaller, Secretary