

**Minutes
Board of Trustees Meeting
November 6, 2019**



PRESQUE ISLE DISTRICT LIBRARY

- Call to Order** The regular meeting of the Presque Isle District Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, at the Rogers City Library by Chairman Jeffrey Hopp. Board members present were Trustees Beach Hall, Catherine Swan, Thomas Stone, Margaret Henschel and Bev Brougham. Absent Trustees Colleen Whitsitt. Staff member present was Director Amber Alexander.
- Public Comment** Sandy Breed, Onaway Friends of the Library – asked questions of what is the current millage of the district library (1 mill), what is the purchase price for Grambau Center (\$0), what are the renovation costs (\$8 million), and what are the maintenance costs (estimated \$30,000).
- Minutes** *Moved by Beach Hall and seconded by Margaret Henschel to approve the minutes from the October 2019 board meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous.*
- Financial Statements** *Moved by Bev Brougham and seconded by Margaret Henschel to accept the Accounts Payable and Checks Printed since last board meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous.*
- Directors Report** Penal Fines increased this year from \$37,000 to \$57,000.
- #GivingTuesday discussion on mass mailing which was decided to be too risky. We will look at our e-newsletter with a special release the week before December 3rd specifically targeting media contacts.
- Discussion on Wind Turbine income from property values to the District Library through the Swan Bay Energy Company.
- Moved by Margaret Henschel and seconded by Tom Stone to approve holiday staff bonuses at \$75 for part-time employees and \$150 for full-time employees. Roll call vote was unanimous.*
- Consensus of approval to order a new directors desk.
- Proclamation by Presque Isle County Board of Commissioners in January to name us “Library of the Year” in conjunction of our 75th Anniversary.
- Old Business** Smithsonian presentation by Anne Belanger, Program Director – one of 6 sites in the state of Michigan. March 21st – May 3rd the exhibit will be housed in the Rogers City Area Community and Senior Center. A list of plans on programs were presented to the Board.
- New Business** Personnel Committee will meet December 4th at 2 pm for the director’s evaluation.
- McWilliams Funeral Home in Posen is for sale at \$47,500. Questions on rezoning with follow up from Presque Isle County Building & Zoning.
- Moved by Bev Brougham and seconded by Margaret Henschel to make an offer of \$42,000 contingent on our questions to Building & Zoning and subject to inspection and zoning approval. Roll call vote was unanimous.*
- Other Business** Personnel Committee consists of Beach Hall, Margaret Henschel, Tom Stone and Catherine Swan.
- Next Board Meeting** Next meeting will be held December 4th, 2019 in Rogers City.
- Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.
- Respectfully Submitted: Catherine Swan