



Minutes Presque Isle District Library Board of Trustees Meeting February 7th, 2018

- 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, February 7, 2018, at the Rogers City library by Chairman Beach Hall. Board members present were Chairman Hall, Vice-Chairman Hopp and Secretary Whitsitt, Trustees Tom Stone, Bev Brougham, Margaret Henschel and Catherine Swan. Staff member present was Director Amber Clement.
- Public in attendance: Dale Plume, Mayor Scott McLennan, Kim Margherio, Rogers City Manager Joe Hefele
- Public Comment** None
- Minutes** *Moved by Jeff Hopp and seconded by Margaret Henschel to approve the minutes from the last board meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous.*
- Financial Statements—** *Moved by Bev Brougham and seconded by Tom Stone to accept the Accounts Payable and Checks Printed since last board meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous.*
- Director’s Report** Rogers City Staff were very helpful with the Circulation Desk move. Special thanks to Don Dimick for all the drilling. Additional manpower was provided by the Presque Isle County Sheriff’s Department’s Community Service Program. Comments are positive. Kathy Yaklin, Posen Manager, will be retiring at the end of March. The hiring process will proceed as in the past. Workflows update is going fine, we go LIVE tomorrow, Thursday. New members may be joining our Northland Library Cooperative, many from Upper Peninsula. The Presque Isle County will be using the theater for emergency fires or fire drills.
- Old Business** C2AE offered the tentative figures freely on the Grambau building. Utilities for the building are \$20,000 and \$14,000 for the gym area, respectively, from figures of when used last at current rates. Basement with lockers was questioned if that space was included in the figures. Low estimate according to Beach. Windows was also addressed. Second floor not a load bearing floor. Mayor McLennan questioned if the Power Plant building was slated for demo? Question was also brought up on ground water and the cost. Board was in agreement that library will not take project on until there is money for remodeling and up keep. Scott and Joe addressed the need for the gym space. Partners (city/library/developer) and developing the upper floor as apartments is an interest. People are interested in fundraising. Joe addressed that this can not be a county wide project, will not be well received. Next step is to arrange a meeting with members of district library board, city, school, and then with C2AE with further questions. Consensus that this can be a joint effort between the library, city, school for our community.
- New Business** *No New Business*
- Other Business** Theater Taxes: Beach Hall arranged meeting with Amber and the Rogers City Assessors. They are aware of the situation and will do some research. There is hope for a mutual agreement on a solution to the Theater taxes.
- Next Board Meeting** Next meeting will be held March 7th, 2018 in Rogers City.
- Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.
- Respectfully Submitted:
Colleen Whitsitt