

Pecatonica Public Library District
Board Meeting Minutes
May 2015

The May 2015 meeting of the Pecatonica Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:38 PM on Thursday, May 14. Present were Librarian Hamilton and Trustees Smith, Arenson, Gulbrandsen, Lizer and Peterson. Absent: Trustees Determan and Schirger.

Minutes of the last meeting and librarian's and financial reports were reviewed. Financial matters included: two leaks in the roof- one in the children's area and one in the echo room for which could use funds from the contingency and special reserve funds (not to exceed \$1250.00) and also the following repairs which need to be done: vestibule window replacement at a cost of \$1585.00; concrete work which includes \$3500.00 to fix front sidewalk sections and \$850.00 to build a sidewalk from the back door to the dumpster, sealing the parking lot for which librarian has received 3 bids which are all very close and less than \$4000.00. Trustee Peterson stated and Trustee Smith seconded a motion to use up to \$12,000.00 (\$5000.00 from special reserve fund and the balance from the contingency fund) to effect the aforementioned repairs and improvements. The motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays. Trustee Arenson stated and Trustee Peterson seconded a motion to accept the minutes and the reports as presented; motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Unfinished Business

Update on History Room microfilm conversion project. Microfilm has all been digitized and returned. It is available on-line in the library. It will be available on line through the library website eventually (our computer guy has to collaborate with their computer guy) Librarian Hamilton has secured a summer intern who will be working in the history room and available to make presentations to patrons who wish to learn how to use the database. Payroll Budget: Librarian Hamilton presented a small payroll budget increase in light of the abysmal anticipated tax receipts, Board reviewed the proposal and recommended increase with slight adjustments. Trustee Arenson stated and Trustee Lizer seconded the motion which, carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

New Business. None

Correspondence / Communication

Trustee Gulbrandsen will reply to the Historical Society letter regarding funding availability for continued improvements, detailing our uncertainty as to when such funds might be available, indicating we will revisit the issue in our next funding cycle. Point of information: the Library will celebrate 50 years in January of 2017.