

Northfield Township Area Library  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
12/20/2022

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call:  
Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by R. Spooner  
Present: S. Purrington, G. Hermann, C. Watkins, J. Secrist, L. Strausbaugh  
Z. Nelson (Ex Officio)  
Absent:
- II. Additions to the agenda: None
- III. Correspondence: Public expressed appreciation by sending in holiday cards.
- IV. Approval of Minutes: November 15, 2022  
Roger proposed that the Nov. 15th, 2022 minutes be amended to show that Roger Spooner's and Zaley Nelson's absence at that meeting was with notice.  
  
A motion to approve the November 15th, 2022, amended Minutes, made by Jack and seconded by Carl was unanimously approved.
- V. Comments from the Public: None
- VI. Library Director's Report: Zaley discussed the report.
  - a. Zaley discussed getting financial support for Pete's Press from the local dispensaries. Jack and others expressed favorable comments about Pete's Press.
  - b. Carl asked about the letter to the township manager's post on Facebook.
  - c. Holiday Tree lighting: Zaley thanked Calvary Baptist Church for helping decorate the Holiday Tree. Gerry stated that Calvary Baptist Church was thankful to contribute in a small way to the community and the Northfield Township Area Library.
  - d. Zaley said that next year we will need to find an alternative to the tree because the current tree is dying. There was discussion about options.
- VII. Financial Report:  
Jack presented the financial report. Everything looks in order. We have enough money. We should be able to save some future money for a library annex.  
  
One of the CDs was cashed in and reinvested. The other 2 CDs will remain until an opportune time.  
  
There was a discussion about the Township's handling of the accounting for the library.

A motion to accept the November 30, 2022, financial report made by Carl and seconded by Sandy was unanimously approved.

VIII. Committee Reports: none

IX. Unfinished Business:

- a. Jack discussed the Historical Markers. The DNR has a Spark Grant program. It looks like a great program for the township. It is unlikely that the historical markers would be eligible for this program. Jack suggested that the township could apply for a ~~Pickle~~ <sup>Pickleball</sup> Court. Jack also suggested that the library board move forward with the historical marker.

X. New Business:

- a. Holiday bonuses

Motion to approve the Holiday Bonus Schedule of:

0-1 year of service: \$50

1-2 year of service: \$100

2-5 year of service: \$200

5-10 year of service: \$250

10+ year of service: \$300

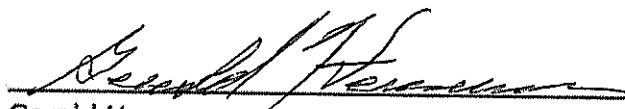
made by Sandy seconded by Carl was unanimously approved.

XI. Comments from the Board: The board expressed appreciation for Hillary and Elizabeth for their exemplary contributions to the library. The board also expressed appreciation for Kim and her contributions to the book club. The board expressed great appreciation for all the exceptional efforts of the Library Director Zaley Nelson.

XII. Comments from the Public: None

XIII. Adjournment: 7:57 pm

Motion to adjourn by Jack, seconded by Gerry was unanimously approved.



Date: 1-17-2023

Gerald Hermann

Secretary Northfield Township Area Library