OSGOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board of Trustees Minutes
June 26, 2019

The Osgood Public Library (OPL) Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at the Osgood Public Library, Milan branch at 6 p.m. Present were members Mary Lou Schwipps, Ruth Hughes, Anita Pitts, Marla Simon, and Melodie Busch; Mark Mellang, Director; and Richard Parks, Treasurer.

Marla called the meeting to order, and the May minutes were reviewed and accepted with a motion by Anita, a second by Ruth, and a 5-0 vote.

Richard presented the Treasurer’s report, which was approved with a motion by Mary Lou, a second by Melodie and a 5-0 vote.

Library Director’s report:

Programming:
Indiana Humanities will highlight Ripley County Reads. Summer Reading is midway completed with 149 kids, 51 teens, and 129 adults participating with more attending each week.

Buildings:
There was nothing negative to report. The “wall” stayed dry during recent heavy rains, so Mark is contacting potential carpenters to build the local history shelving.

Staff:
Hannah is doing well, and Jennifer is exceeding expectations. Mark attended a budget meeting presented by the DLGF and another meeting regarding legislative updates. Bill #1343 became effective July 1. See attachment. It is unclear at this time who established OPL—Ripley County or the Town of Osgood. That organization would need to notify OPL by June 1 if this will take place. Since the law wasn’t in effect until July 1, 2019, it is not an issue this year.

Miscellaneous:
OPL’s internet upgrade was completed on June 14; it doubled the speed at Osgood and also increased the OPL Milan Branch’s speed. Karen Rohlfing, Napoleon Town Clerk and OPL contact, passed away. Mark is waiting to find out the new contact.

Continuing Business:
Mark took information to the Town of Sunman regarding joining OPL’s library district and was told he would be contacted if they are interested. Mark asked Brad Samples to provide rates from other insurance companies.

New Business:
OPL is applying for a RCCF $5,000 large grant to replace the main library’s aging and often broken copier. It is old and some parts are not available. Melodie made the motion,
Marla seconded it, and the vote was 5-0.

Melodie made a motion, seconded by Anita, and approved 5-0 for Mark to contact Annette Pindell, Jackson Township Trustee, regarding joining the OPL district.

The State Board of Accounts sent notification that the 4-year 2015-2018 audit will occur soon and has been requested preliminary information.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 24, 2019, at 6 p.m. at the main branch of the Osgood Public Library.

With no further business, Melodie made a motion to adjourn, Ruth seconded, and the vote was 5-0.

AP
Anita J. Pitts

DC
Debbie Carroll

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RH
Ruth Hughes

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Melodie Busch