

# IRONWOOD CARNEGIE LIBRARY MINUTES

Regular Library Board Meeting

4pm Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Held at the Ironwood Memorial Building Auditorium

213 South Marquette St. Ironwood MI 49938

- I. **Call to order.** 4:01 Present- Helen Slining, Wendy Hicks, Kim Corcoran, Lynne Wiercinski, Pam Johnson. Absent- Amber Hurkmans, Kathi Maciejewski.
- II. **Approval of June Financial Reports (including bills)** Pam moved, Helen seconded, passed unanimously.
- III. **Approval of June Meeting Minutes.** Wendy moved, Pam seconded, passed unanimously.
- IV. **Approval of July Financial Reports (including bills) No minutes as no July meeting.** Do not have.
- V. **Adjustments to the Agenda.** Tom Bergman and VI on agenda moved to II.
- VI. **Tax Increment Financing-presentation from Tom Bergman.** Tom explained the TIF district and its part in the downtown development plan. The plan, projects involved, and the area are still being determined. Once the plan is complete, we will see it and have 60 days to decide if we choose to participate.
- VII. **Unfinished/Continuing Business**
  - a. **Building Updates-** Angelo Lupine estimated the front step repair at \$1900. Lynne also asked for an estimate for refinishing the front door and painting the back door. The city mowed the lawn twice. The boiler was checked and inspected.
  - b. **Fundraising-** The FOL will decide at the 9/15 meeting whether there will be a Fall Book Sale. Lynne is working on a silent auction to be held in November.
  - c. **RIDES-** A fuel surcharge was added to the charge for library loan delivery, but Superiorland covered the surcharge.
  - d. **Logo-** Tim Erickson worked on the logo. Lynne will print and share the logo and get patron input.
  - e. **Building Committee-** Lynne is looking at a 9/27 organizational meeting. There are some community members interested in serving on the committee.
- VIII. **New Business**
  - a. **Penal Fine Amount-** TY \$21,342.65, LY 22,020.69 Penal fines are down and population is down due to the census. Alternative ways to fund libraries continues to be
  - b. **SLC Board Member Appointment-** Patti Jahn is still interested in serving.
  - c. **Student Board Member-** Lynne will get the word out and we will revisit at the next meeting.
  - d. **Intellectual Freedom Training-** Lynne can will suggest some dates to show the training so anyone interested can view as a group.
  - e. **Summer Reading-** It was a very good summer with great attendance. 148 registered for Summer Reading and 84 finished. An end of summer party was held at the City Center and 4 bikes were given away.
  - f. **UPRLC Conference-** Lynne will be attending on September 30. The Conference is one day and Lynne will travel the day before.

- g. Close for cleaning-** The library will close two days in September for organizing and clean up. 9/11 is God's Work Our Hands, with projects being completed at the library. This coincides well with the 2-day closing.

**IX. Director Report** – Lynne reported that we are still shorthanded and she is looking at hiring part-time on call help. Also noted that Wakefield Library has hired a new director as one of the part time directors moved from area; continues to be managed by two directors. Lynne will reach out to meet new director soon.

**X. Board Comments-** Helen requested topsoil for the perennials outside.

**XI. Public invitation to be heard.** None  
(5-minute limitation per speaker)

**XII. Adjournment.**5:09 Wendy moved, Pam seconded, passed unanimously.