

Gilpin County Board of Trustees Meeting: January 12, 2023

Attendance: Harv Mastalir, Linza Douglas, Dorothy Sweet, Jeffrey Smith, Alisa Witt, Ruth Arnold + Director Michael Carlson; **Absent:** None

1. **Call to Order:** 6:34 pm

2. **Call for Changes to Agenda:** None

3. **Approval of Minutes:** Dorothy moved to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2022 meeting. Linza seconded. Approved unanimously.

4. **Public Comment:** None

5. Library Director's Report

Michael reported library visits were down in December due to a long holiday period and weather-related issues, but circulation continues to rise and overall visits for the year are up. He updated the board on the status of the search for a contractor to complete study rooms, recent programming success and the Library's possible inclusion in a county electric-vehicle-charging-station grant. He also pointed out the Library is the county's preferred location to hold events with combined online and in-person components.

a. Financial Report

The library district's finances were reviewed and discussed.

6. New Business

a. Election of Board Officers for 2023

Officers for 2023 are Harv Mastalir, president; Linza Douglas, vice-president; Dorothy Sweet, treasurer; and Jeffrey Smith, secretary.

Alisa nominated Harv for President. He accepted and was approved unanimously. Dorothy nominated Linza for Vice-President. She accepted and was approved unanimously. Linza nominated Dorothy for Treasurer. She accepted and was approved unanimously. Ruth nominated Jeffrey for Secretary. He accepted and was approved unanimously.

b. Approve Designated Area for Posting Meeting/Agenda Info

Alisa moved to post board meeting information on the Library website and bulletin board. Ruth seconded. Approved unanimously.

c. Review Circulation Desk Refinishing Options

Following an inspection of the circulation desk and adjacent countertop as well as a sample of Miracle Method's spray-on acrylic urethane product, **Ruth moved to allocate \$3,900 to refinish the Circulation Desk/Countertop. Dorothy seconded. Approved unanimously.**

d. Discuss Hiring Engineering Firm for Water Filtration Options

Due to rising water delivery costs, the board discussed hiring an engineering firm to conduct a cost-benefit analysis [to determine if the installation and maintenance of a filtration system approved by both the state and EPA would be more cost-effective than maintaining the current system] or hiring a local well company to determine the viability of the Library's well and test its water. It was determined more information was needed. **Alisa moved to Table the Discussion until estimates are received from two well companies to analyze the viability of the well and test water. Dorothy seconded. Approved unanimously.**

e. **Discuss Board Trustee Vacancy**

The board determined the deadline for anyone to apply for the position should be February 3, 2023 so interviews can be conducted before the February 9, 2023 meeting. Ads placed in a local paper will include this deadline. An interview committee consisting of Harv and Ruth was created.

9. **Next Regular Meeting: January 12, 2023**

10. **Adjournment:** 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by Jeffrey Smith, Secretary