

## Gilpin Count Library Board of Trustees Meeting : April 11, 2024

Attendance: Harv Mastalir, Linza Douglas, David Josselyn, Ruth Arnold, Dorothy Sweet

Director Michael Carlson

Absent: Alisa Witt

Call to Order at 6:30 PM

Call for changes to Agenda: none

Approval of Minutes: Dorothy moved and David seconded to approve the minutes of the February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Approved unanimously

Public comment: Mike Plante commented on outdoor lighting, stating that solar is very inexpensive and should be considered for lighting in the parking lot.

### Director's Report:

The Library was closed for 4 days due to snow last month, thus the numbers are down for the month. The Virtual Legal Clinic was having great success, but has been indefinitely postponed d/t to the organizer recently passed away. Programs are being booked for the summer and should be full as last year.

### Financial Report:

Century Link cost is up for the 2 lines that the Library has. It was \$18/line and is up to \$45/line. Michael is disputing this increase to try and get the previous rate reinstated.

### Old Business

The EV charging station is scheduled for this summer and is based on what United Power does.

Lighting for the parking lot – a crew of 3 was sent to evaluate. 3000 lumen are required. They recommended 4 lights that are fully programable. Michael will check to see if solar power can be used.

The new library specialist, Pamela DuMont, is on board part time, with no benefits.

#### New Business

Jeff Smith resigned from the Board as of 4/2/24. Michael will put an ad in the local papers for 2 weeks with a closure date of 5/3/24. Ruth and Harv will interview candidates with hope to have a recommendation to the Board at the May meeting and a recommendation to the Commissioners at their following meeting. The term goes to 12/27/27.

David moved and Dorothy seconded to make Ruth the temporary secretary until the new person is appointed to the Board. Approved unanimously. Debate on the Black Hawk offer to the County Commissioners to accept \$1,000,000 yearly for the Rec Center. The Library is a special district and Black Hawk cannot say anything about the mil levy. Voters decided on the Library mil levy in 2020 and the Library has 2 mil levies – one is collected by the County for the Library. The Board briefly discussed the Black Hawk offer.

The next meeting will be May 9<sup>th</sup>

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM

Dorothy Sweet, acting Secretary