

Library Board Minutes

September 7, 2023

Hoesch Memorial Library Board of Trustees met on Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 2:02 p.m. Present were Don Jardon, Cathy House, Bryan Lubeck, Mary Jo Radil, and Keri Anderson Library Director. Pam Miller was absent. Also attending was Linda Nickel.

Don Jardon called the meeting to order with attention given to the Open Meeting Act posted on the conference room wall.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. The motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Bryan and seconded by Cathy. Motion carried.

Warrants for payment of bills were reviewed. Cathy made the motion to approve the warrants for payment and Mary Jo provided the second. Motion carried.

The following warrants were paid:

Keri Anderson	2,965.04
Stephanie Adams	275.00
Jennifer Roethke	438.75
Frontier (Telephone)	200.25
Hoesch Memorial Library (Petty Cash)	34.22
NPPD (Electricity)	124.69
Pumpkin People & Produce	14.09
Summit Window Cleaning (Bldg. Maint.)	96.00

Circulation statistics and Budget Statistics were reviewed. It was noted that there will probably be no more money from the county due to NO Keno at this time.

New Business

There was a discussion about budget changes for 2023-2024. Keri printed off the 7 discussion points that we reviewed. They included the reasons for the budget problem as well as changes we have or can make. Some highlights were cutting out the purchasing of audiobooks, using money from Friends of the Library for Large Print books, and saving magazine money by donation of Nebraskaland magazine by Don Jardon and possibly NebraskaLife magazine by Cathy House. At the next Friends meeting it will be discussed about the Friends using State Aid money to pay for Mighty Tidy to clean.

New hours of operation may go into effect by adding Thursday evening. A community survey was discussed to try to see what they would like for operation hours. This will be tabled until the next meeting.

Bryan made a motion to approve the copier/printer charge changes. It was seconded by Don. Motion carried.

The increase for InterLibrary loan charges was discussed and tabled to investigate postage charges as suggested by Linda Nickel.

There was a discussion as to community concern about library budget and rumors around town as well as on Facebook. It was suggested that people should be told to contact a library board member, attend a city council meeting, or a library board meeting.

The next meeting will be held Monday, October 9, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

As there was no other business, Mary Jo made the motion to adjourn, second by Cathy. Motion carried.

Respectfully,

Mary Jo Radil, Acting Secretary