

Canton Public Library (CPL)
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting
Official Public Records Minutes
Tuesday, March 12, 2024
6:00 PM

Members (Present):

Kate Bevans, Stephanie Chancellor, Phyllis Dean, Heather Feldkamp, Katie Marney, Karla McReynolds, Patti Meldrum, Esa Seegulam, Beth Weaver, and Mary Kay Lane.

Call to order:

Meldrum called the meeting to order.

Public Comment:

Approval of March Agenda and February Minutes:

Chancellor moved to approve the February minutes and March agenda; seconded by Dean.
Approved.

Approval of February Financial Report:

Cost to put tax increase on ballot: \$4839.95

Chancellor moved to approve the financial report. Feldkamp seconded.
Approved.

Director's Report:

- CD at United State Bank matures 3/8/24, value of \$41,266.49 (15 mth opened at 12/8/22 39,458.17 at 3.6%.

Chancellor moved to have Lane to compare CD rates amongst Canton banks and reinvest in the highest rate CD. Feldkamp seconded. Approved.

- Family Fun Night on March 21 from 6-7pm.

- Nancy's last day will be April 11 and Teresa's last day will be Mid-April.

- Bank of Monticello has ceased their Herald-Whig subscription support.

Friends Report:

- Yard signs are now available to support the proposition. If a board member supports the proposition, they may display the sign on their private property. Board members and employees of the library cannot advocate for or against the proposition outside of their private residences.

Old Business:

Campaign Strategies:

- Missy Dubuque will enlist students to distribute flyers during the week of 3/23
- Press Release - was not published on time, despite timely submission. Mary Kay to inquire.
- Organizations to visit - Chancellor and Lane attended Kiwanis for presentation on 3/5
- Town Hall Meeting (Thu 3/14 at Canton Public Library)- reviewed slideshow
- Information now available on the library website: <https://www.cantonmopubliclibrary.org/prop1>

Back Room and Procurement Policy:

- Code of Ethics in procurement policy forbids Board members' family members or entities owned by such from selling goods or services to the library.

Feldkamp moved to approve Joe Walker as the contractor for the refurbishment of the back room. Dean seconded. Approved.

New Business:

- Non-Resident Fees

Current non-resident fees are \$20/year. Discussion about increasing these fees along with timeline for increase.

- Meldrum moved to have a closed session to discuss personnel issues.
- Session reopened at 7:30pm.

Adjournment:

Meldrum adjourned the meeting.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting will be on Tuesday April 9 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
M. Esa Seegulam
Secretary