

**City of Tipton Municipal Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting
March 23, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jeanne Edwards, president, called to order the regular meeting of the City of Tipton Municipal Library District Board of Trustees at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 23, 2023, at Price James Memorial Library, Tipton, Mo.

The following trustees were present: Jeanne Edwards, Reta Bestgen, Georgianne Morgan, Karla Pettigrew, Lori Bestgen, Lianne Twyman. Library Director Marsha Nelson and Mark Hampton were also present.

Trustees Emily Heard, Kerry Uptergrove and Deann Lawson were absent.

II. APPROVE AGENDA:

Georgianne Morgan made a motion to approve the agenda, Lori Bestgen seconded and the motion carried.

III. APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

Karla Pettigrew previously distributed the minutes of the February 23, 2023, meeting via email. Lianne Twyman made a motion to approve the minutes, Lori Bestgen seconded and the motion carried.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lori Bestgen previously distributed the treasurer's report by email which included a review of the general ledger, balance sheet, and the current operating budget. Georgianne Morgan made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Karla Pettigrew seconded and the motion carried.

V. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Marsha Nelson, library director, previously distributed the February circulation report via email and gave a general update with the following items.

Building: There is some damage to the fascia board and a corner board next to the roof that will need to be repaired or replaced. Marsha has contacted the City of Tipton to have this fixed.

MPLD Conference: Marsha will be attending the Missouri Public Library Directors conference in Lee's Summit on June 1 and 2.

Summer Storytime: Erin Noland is working on story time. Story time will be traveling to the 7 continents with North America last and focusing on Mexico, Canada, U.S.A. and then Missouri. Will end in Missouri with snakes from Runge Nature Center in Jefferson City. Twenty sessions will be every Monday at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. starting on June 5. The last session will be on a Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to accommodate the Runge speaker.

Origami Workshop: A possible workshop with a young man who is interested in teaching origami. Price James has several new origami books.

State Funding: Concerning action on the state level that has potential impact on Price James Library, Marsha reported the House budget committee chairman proposed to cut all funding to public libraries because he opposes the Missouri Library Association, the ACLU, and the Missouri Association of School Libraries suing the state over a Missouri law that limits what materials can be in school libraries. The chairman said the state shouldn't subsidize the lawsuit with funding.

VI: President's Comments

Jeanne Edwards and Marsha Nelson will attend the City of Tipton monthly meeting on Monday, April 10, to give the Price James Library yearly report to the city council.

VII: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Flagpole Light: City maintenance director Jeff Koechner was given specifications for the flagpole lighting and Marsha is waiting to hear back from him.

VIII: NEW BUSINESS:

Outside Bench: Outside bench needs to be replaced. Georgianne Morgan is going to check out a concrete bench at Lowe's in Jefferson City and report back at the next meeting.

XI: NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Karla Pettigrew