

The Board of Trustees of the Bayard Public Library of the City of Bayard, County Morrill, State of Nebraska, met in regular session in the Council Chambers on July 7, 2023 at 12:03 PM City of Bayard 445 Main Street, Bayard, NE. An agenda of the meeting was made available to the Board of Trustee members prior to the meeting. Present were Mandy Douglass, Linda Safford, Jeanette Thompson, Judy White and Rod Olson. There being a quorum of council present, President Mandy Douglass called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM with Jeanette Thompson taking minutes. Library Director Becky Henkel was in attendance.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by L. Safford with J. Thompson seconding the motion. The vote was M. Douglass, L. Safford, J. Thompson, J. White and R. Olson: Ayes. Motion carried.

Open Meetings Act was acknowledged as posted.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting was made by L. Safford. J. White seconded the motion. The vote was M. Douglass, L. Safford, J. Thompson, J. White and R. Olson: Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the bills and claims was made by M. Douglass and J. Thompson seconded the motion. The vote was M. Douglass, L. Safford, J. Thompson, J. White and R. Olson: Ayes. Motion carried.

2023-2024 Library Budget: The board discussed the budget with no action taking place.

Director's Report: Director Henkel reported that there were 529 books and 184 books through Overdrive checked out in the month of May and computers were used 18 times. In June there were 914 books checked out and 126 through Overdrive. Computers were used 15 times. Director Henkel still delivers books to the Villa. She was notified that the library received a grant from the Dollar General Foundation in the amount of \$1875.00. With this grant she was able to give all summer readers a free book and pay for the treats for the summer reading kickoff. The children are making crafts, one to keep and one to give away to spread kindness. There were approximately 100 people in attendance for the kickoff which had a magic show and treats thanks to Tara McMurtry. There are forty one children signed up for the eight week program. The online history archive was created and is running. Director Henkel plans to do a story on the project and make a public announcement. Ben from ESU installed the outside access to our fiber internet. The annual Western Library Systems meeting is August 1, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. and Library board members can attend.

Public Comment: None

Motion to adjourn was made by J. Thompson with L. Safford seconding the motion. The vote was M. Douglass, L. Safford, J. Thompson, J. White and R. Olson: Ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by Jeanette Thompson, Secretary.