

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 September 10, 2021 at 12:00 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 Matt McLaughlin, Linda Safford, Jeanette Thompson, Mandy Douglass and Judy White. There being a quorum of council present, President Matt McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM with Jeanette Thompson taking minutes. Library Director Becky Henkel was in attendance.

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

Library Operational Budget: The board discussed the budget after it had been approved by City Council with no action taking place.

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

Director's Report: Director Henkel reported that there were 585 books checked out with 87 books being checked out with Overdrive in the month of August. Computers were used 25 times. She still delivers books to the Villa and house-bound people. She is currently straightening shelves and organizing the storage room. Charter internet has been disconnected and the library is on fiber. Equipment still needs to be delivered. Director Henkel is applying for three grants with the Nebraska Library Commission and those grants require no matching funds.

Public Comment: Renne Dabney, Deputy Clerk / Treasurer spoke to the Board about the city revitalization program. The city has applied for three grants with one being approved for trees. The city is in the process of getting approval of two more grants for the revitalization of Bayard.

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

Submitted by Jeanette Thompson, Secretary