

Record of Proceedings

Adams County Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting North Adams Public Library October 9, 2024– 5:30 p.m.

The Adams County Public Library Board of Trustees met on October 9, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. for a regular meeting at North Adams Public Library.

Phil Rhonemus called the meeting to order. Members present were Linda Worley, Elaine Lafferty, Sarah Shelton, Linda Stepp, Holly Johnson, and Kayla Bowman. Others present were Executive Director Nicholas Slone and Fiscal Officer Diana Aston.

There was no public participation.

Minutes of the previous Board of Trustees meeting were reviewed and discussed.

Motion #1 made by Linda Stepp, seconded by Elaine Lafferty **to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 11, 2024.** Motion carried. All yeas.

Motion #2 made by Holly Johnson, seconded by Sarah Shelton **to accept the financial reports of the Fiscal Officer and approve the payment of bills.** Motion carried. All yeas.

Motion #3 made by Holly Johnson, seconded by Linda Stepp **that The Board of Trustees adopts the Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor.** Roll call Phil Rhonemus-yea, Linda Stepp-yea, Holly Johnson-yea, Sarah Shelton-yea, Kayla Bowman—yea, Linda Worley—yea, and Elaine Lafferty—yea.

Report of Executive Director

A representative from Ohio Plan will be visiting at the end of October for a risk assessment, visiting all branches and reviewing our personnel handbook to make recommendations. The Imagination Library may require additional funding.

Motion #4 made by Linda Worley, seconded by Holly Johnson **to accept donations, acknowledge volunteer services, and to approve library support group activities as requested.** Motion carried. All yeas.

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Old Business

The Peebles library had the sewer and drain lines imaged at the end of September. There is only a small section of cast iron. Nick recommends proceeding with the carpet replacement and jetting the cleanouts every 3 months. It would be manageable, if necessary at a later date, to replace the cast iron section after the carpet is installed. Under the new Federal E-rate for hotspots, the library is eligible to receive funding for up to 103 hotspots. Hotspots and plans can come from multiple suppliers. The filing for this program would be for the July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 time frame. The board recommends to reapply for the Nature Conservancy grant.

New Business

Columbus Metro Library is dropping Hoopla in early November. To ensure locals maintain access and keep under budget Nick recommends we remove the ability to receive an e-resource card online. This would require patrons to come into the library so staff can ensure they live or are visiting local before receiving a card.

6:14 p.m. **Motion #5** made by Kayla Bowman, seconded by Elaine Lafferty, **to enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment and compensation of employees (ORC 121.22 (G)(1)). Roll call, Phil Rhonemus—yea, Linda Worley—yea, Elaine Lafferty—yea, Sarah Shelton—yea, Linda Stepp—yea, Holly Johnson—yea, and Kayla Bowman – yea.**

6:28 p.m. Reconvened in regular session.

Lifetime Financial Growth, previously SEBO, has not provided a quote for medical insurance yet. The quote received direct from the provider shows a 9.79% increase from the current cost.

Adjournment

Motion #6 made by Linda Worley, seconded by Kayla Bowman, **to adjourn the meeting.** The board will meet in regular session at the Peebles Public Library on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Secretary

President