

**Monday, August 24, 2020**

**Trustees in Attendance:** Ken Barthelette, Janis Hagen, Loretta Hermann, Christa Mitchell, and Maurine Myers.

**Trustee(s) Absent:** None.

**Also present:** Charli Barnes; DeeDee Brashers; Jordan Gloyd; Geri Godber; Sarah Hayter; Nicholas Holladay; Jon Mendelke; Joe Morgan; Tory Pegram; Dana Roberts; Scott Villarreal; and Don Watson.

The Christian County Library Board of Trustees met in a regular monthly session via Zoom on Monday, August 24, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was open to the public through a publicly posted web link. President Barthelette presided.

Any reports, exhibits, or supporting materials presented during the open portions of this meeting and referred to in these minutes may be obtained [upon request](#).

**Start Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Minutes of the Monday, July 27, 2020 Meeting**

Loretta Hermann moved that the minutes of the Monday, July 27, 2020, meeting be approved. Maurine Myers seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

**Minutes of the Tuesday, August 11, 2020 Meeting**

Loretta Hermann moved that the minutes of the Tuesday, August 11, 2020, meeting be approved. Christa Mitchell seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

**Public Comments:**

There were no public comments made at this meeting.

**Bills**

Loretta Hermann moved that the adjusted bills from July 2020 be approved. Christa Mitchell seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

Christa Mitchell moved that the estimated bills for August 2020 be approved. Loretta Hermann seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

**Report of the Executive Director**

Loretta Hermann moved that the Director's Report be approved. Christa Mitchell seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

## **Construction Budget Update**

Executive Director Godber presented the most recent construction budget update.

## **Development Minute**

Director of Development & Strategic Partnerships Pegram presented the August Development Report.

## **Old Business**

Reinstating and Updating Regular Hours for the Branches

In order to ensure consistency and maximize public service capacity at the busiest times of day, Christa Mitchell moved to change the Library's hours of operation and corresponding *Hours of Operation* policy to 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday for all branches. The change will take effect Monday, October 5, 2020, for Ozark and Nixa, and upon opening the new Community Branches in Sparta and Clever respectively. Loretta Hermann seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

## **New Business**

Setting the 2020 Tax Rate

Loretta Hermann moved to set the 2020 tax levy rate at 0.2009. Janis Hagen seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

The Status of the Early September 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting

After discussing the options, the Board decided to proceed with the already scheduled Tuesday, September 8, 2020, meeting at 5:30 p.m. in Executive Director Godber's absence with Interim Director Dana Roberts and Understudy Interim Director Tory Pegram at the helm. Tory and Dana will send out the agenda and any supporting materials a week before the meeting as usual.

New Staff Positions: New Branches and Needed Staff

Janis Hagen moved to authorize Executive Director Godber to create the new positions presented and begin hiring other positions as outlined for the Sparta and Community Branches. Loretta Hermann seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

## **Other New Business**

In light of the passing of longtime Christian County Library Foundation member and Library supporter George Blaisdell's passing, the Board of Trustees proposed to create a small memorial picture and plaque in his honor at the Sparta Community Branch. Details will be discussed at the September 8th Library Board of Trustees meeting.

## **Adjournment**

Loretta Hermann moved to adjourn. Maurine Myers seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Hermann: Aye; Trustee Mitchell: Aye; Trustee Myers: Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.