Van Meter Public Library

Library Board Minutes - 2/20/19

The Van Meter Public Library Board met on Tuesday, February 29, 2019 at the Van Meter Public Library.

President Maguire called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Members present at roll call: Molly Maguire, Megan Warwick, and Erin Freeman, Rachel Devick, and Kate McCombs. Also in attendance were Kyle Michel, Joe Herman, Maryann Mori (via Zoom), and Suzanne Lindaman.

Having no emergency additions, President Maguire asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Moved by Devick, supported by McCombs. Passed unanimously.

After reviewing the Consent Agenda and a correction of the January minutes to 2019 and not 2018, President Maguire asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Moved by Devick, supported by McCombs. Passed unanimously.

The meeting began with City Administrator Kyle Michel reviewing the changes he had made to the library budget. He had increased the amount for salaries to accommodate another part time employee or making the director position salaried. He also increased the amount for IT to cover the new service, if approved by the council. He reiterated that the budget was affected by the changes that were approved by the council, but not put into effect before he arrived. The next item were the reports by committees – Devick reported that she contacted Vicki Lyon to say she would be the person representing the library. Maguire reported on the last council meeting. McCombs reported that the director had e-mailed her the policy information. There was nothing to report from the building committee. Warwick reported that she will attend the group meeting, including the Foundation, on the 26th of February.

A discussion of the effectiveness of the committees was held and it was decided to add a personnel committee. The vote on any changes to the committees was tabled until the next meeting. A discussion of the events of the last board meeting were conducted by Freeman. She expressed her concern about the conduct of the director in stating that she was frustrated and considering resigning. The discussion continued with President Maguire and Director Lindaman.

The Library Director's report was given, as seen in the packet.

Having no further business, President Maguire asked for a motion to adjourn. Moved by Freeman, supported by Warwick. Passed unanimously. Adjourned at 8:03 p.m.