TIPPECANOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
627 South Street, Lafayette, Indiana
November 3, 2014

MINUTES
Notice of the date, time, place and agenda for this meeting was posted in prominent public view at the Library and mailed to requesting media on Friday, October 31st, 2014 in conformity with the Indiana Open Meeting Act.

PRESENT:
Dinah McClure, President
Mida Grover, Vice-President
Brandon Hawkins, Secretary
Steve Bultinck, Treasurer
Gail Summers, Member
Lora Goonewardene, Member

ABSENT:

GUESTS
Harry Mohler, Architect
Jos N. Holman, County Librarian
Amy Paget, Assistant County Librarian

President Dinah McClure chaired the regular Board meeting and called it to order at 7:30 p.m. A quorum was declared to conduct business for the library.

Prior to the regular Board meeting, an executive session was held to discuss results of a compensation study for the library director and staff. No action was taken.

Also, prior to the regular Board meeting, an Additional Appropriation hearing was held regarding the 2015 general obligation bonds. There was no public comment.

Board Secretary Brandon Hawkins led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Vice-President Mida Grover moved the Board Minutes of October 7th, 2014 be approved as presented. Board member Lora Goonewardene provided a second and the motion passed.

Under the heading of the County Librarian’s Report, Mr. Holman highlighted a few items from his report. He mentioned that since unveiling the use of text messages as a notification option during the second quarter of 2013, library customer’s use of texting has increased substantially. Three
hundred ninety seven people were signed up in 2013 as TCPL sent about 40
texts a day. Presently, about 100 texts a day are sent as 2904 customers are
notified of items on hold and overdue materials. The County Librarian reported
the Federal Government e-rate program to support technology usage in public
libraries and schools is substantially changing. In July 2015, changes in the
program will phase out telecom reimbursements and phase in
discounts/reimbursements for computer hardware. Starting in 2015 instead of
receiving approximately $30,000 annually in reimbursements, TCPL will
receive approximately 20% less revenue each year. AdTec will continue to
advise TCPL on the upcoming changes and also continue to file the complex
paperwork for TCPL. Mr. Holman shared that through a program initiated and
coordinated by the Indiana State Library, TCPL received 8 more refurbished
computer hard drives and keyboards. This is the second time TCPL has
participated in the program. Using these computers at public service desks and
as TipCat terminals allows TCPL to designate new computers for other key
purposes. Finally, Mr. Holman reviewed basic information about the 2014
annual appeal. Amy Paget and the County Librarian are scheduling meetings
with various companies to request a gift to the new branch. The annual appeal
is an opportunity for members of our library district to individually contribute
to the fundraising effort.

Mr. Hawkins moved to approve the November 3rd, 2014 Personnel
Actions. Mrs. Grover provided a second to the motion and the motion passed.

There were no reports under the heading of Other Reports, as Friends
President Audrey Burghardt was absent from the meeting.

There was no Old Business.

Under the heading of New Business, the Board considered several
actions associated with the issuance of the new general obligation bonds. The
County Librarian presented to the Board proofs of publication and posting of
the notice to taxpayers of the hearing to be held at this meeting on the matter
of additional appropriation proposed to be made on account of said building
project, which proofs of publication and posting show that such notice was
published in the The Leader and in the Journal and Courier on October 23,
2014, and October 30, 2014, and posted in three public places on October 23,
2014. Brandon Hawkins moved the said proofs of publication and posting be
approved and made a part of the records of the Board. Mrs. Grover provided a
second and the motion passed.

President McClure stated the Board was now ready to hear all taxpayers
desiring to be heard in respect to the matter of the additional appropriation in
the amount of $2,000,000 proposed to be made on account of the construction
of a new library branch in said library district. No taxpayers spoke to the
matter. Mr. Bultinck moved that the Additional Appropriation resolution be
adopted. Mrs. Grover seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mr. Hawkins moved that the Secretary of the Board be directed to advertise the sale of the bond heretofore authorized. Mrs. Grover seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Also under **New Business**, the County Librarian stated he consulted the firm of Ice Miller LLP, bond counsel of Indianapolis, Indiana, relative to the procedure to be followed in connection with the proposed bond issue and the rendering of an opinion approving the legality of the bonds. He then presented to the Board a form of final bond resolution approved by Ice Miller LLP, and recommended by them for adoption for the purpose of authorizing the issuance of bonds. Mrs. Grover moved the final bond resolution be adopted. Mr. Bultinck provided a second to the motion and the motion passed.

Finally, under the heading of **New Business**, the County Librarian suggested the Board assign attorney John Gambs, a representative from Umbaugh and Associates, and himself to serve as a bid committee to formally accept the bids on the bond. The Board agreed by consensus the committee could be formed and act on behalf of the library.

Under the heading of **Other Business**, Mr. Bultinck moved to approve the grand total of the claims listing presented by the County Librarian starting with claim number 22739 through 22852. The prewritten claims totaled $260,778.12 and the regular claims totaled $164,807.34 for a grand total of $425,585.46. Mrs. Goonewardene seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Mr. Hawkins moved to adjourn the regular Board meeting at 7:58 p.m. Mrs. Grover seconded the motion and it carried.

Brandon Hawkins, Secretary

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