

Ashley Public Library District Board Meeting Minutes

Date November 26, 2024

Board Officers

President- Len Piasecki – 618-534-5225 P

Vice Pres.– Sandy Hansen - 618-322-8887 P

Secretary – Ellen Boczek – 618-967-9353 - P

Treasurer – Kathleen Janvier - 770-633-9939 A

Board Members

Trustee - Ashlie Newcomb -618-367-6549 P

Trustee – Mary Dreas – 618-521-6169 P

Trustee – Courtney Guinzy P

Library Director – FOIA Officer – Nicole Mischke

Call to Order

Pledge to Flag

Roll Call 3 officers, and 3 members present

Approval of Minutes

Motion Sandy

Second Courtney

Approved All

Approval of Financial Report

Motion to accept Ashlie

Second Sandy

Approved All

Discussion

Correspondence

Library Director's

We had 30 participants in the October Library Crawl. Our Veterans Day speaker, Bill Adams, had 5 attendees. Mary has arranged for Santa to be present at Bill Strong's Children's Christmas Program, which is scheduled for December 7th at 10 AM.

New Business

Tax Levy Ordinance -A motion to accept the tax levy ordinance was made by Sandy and seconded by Mary. The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution Approving Annual Financial Report -Mary made a motion to accept the annual financial report, which was seconded by Sandy. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of Christmas Gifts

The following Christmas gifts were approved:

- Library Director: \$100
- Assistant: \$50
- Two Substitutes: \$50 each
- Janitor: \$50
- Two Volunteers: \$25 each

Sandy made the motion to approve these gifts, and Courtney seconded it. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion on Purchasing Sabre Spray -The discussion regarding the purchase of Sabre Spray was tabled. Janet Logan raised concerns about liability and will present a city document at the next meeting, resulting in the purchase being denied.

Proposal for Silent Emergency Alert Button – A proposal was presented to purchase a silent emergency alert button from Security Alarm, which included a \$300 installation fee and a \$39 monthly service fee. The cost was considered too high, and Ashlie suggested obtaining another quote for a more cost-effective solution.

We reviewed the Behavior Policy and Code of Conduct. We decided to continue developing this document further.

Trimming of the North Tree by the Parking Lot was dismissed.

Library Maintenance Hours Approval -Five hours of library maintenance were approved, with Sandy making the motion and Mary seconding it. The library director and volunteers will handle additional tasks, including book repair, grant writing, and other necessary work.

With no further business, a motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Ashlie to adjourn. The next meeting will be January 28, 2024.

Respectfully submitted

Nicole Mischke, Library Director