Oscoda County Library Board

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OFFICIAL MINUTES Approved February 8, 2012

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OSCODA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD WAS HELD ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2012 AT 1:30 P.M. AT THE OSCODA COUNTY LIBRARY.

Call to Order: 1:35 p.m.

Members Present: Olsen, Crane, Stenzel, and Shumaker Members Absent: None Others Present: Amy Knepp and Tom Trimmer

Introduction

Tom Trimmer was introduced as the new Oscoda County Commissioner liaison to the Library Board.

Old Business

Funding

Director Knepp presented a financial outlook worksheet for 2012. Revenue is down considerably. Jim Anderson, the county's CPA, suggested there has been a change in how money is captured and disbursed within the court system. Calls to Jennifer (Court Office) continue to go unanswered.

Director Knepp is to call next week to make an appointment with Kathleen Solomon, Oscoda County Prosecuting Attorney, to see what light she can shed on why penal fines are down.

During the first six months of 2012, we will use up all of our anticipated revenue. For the remainder of the year, we will have to draw money out of the fund balance. We will not be able to stay in business long if we do this. There are no other places we can reduce expenditures: staff is at a minimum; purchase of materials is minimal; monthly expenses are usually utilities.

Library Hours of Operation

Director Knepp asked the board to consider reducing hours to save money. It was determined that reducing hours would show very little savings and would cause confusion for patrons.

Mileage Request

Crane/Stenzel

Motion to place a request for .5 mil for Library operations on the August 2012 ballot. Chairman Olsen requested a roll call vote.

Stenzel – Aye Crane – Aye Shumaker – Aye Olsen – Aye

4 Ayes : 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Timeline

- We will ask Jim Anderson (CPA) to address the February 8, 2012 board meeting.
- Chairman Olsen will contact attorney Jerry Braybrant to prepare ballot language.
- Director Knepp will contact Brenda to secure a place on the Oscoda County Commissioner's February 14, 2012 agenda so that the ballot language can be presented for their approval.
- Library board members will develop plan to promote the successful passage of the millage request.

Seeing no further business, Chairman Olsen adjourned the meeting. The next regular meeting will be held February 8, 2012 at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Deb Shumaker - Secretary