

Oscoda County Library Board

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OFFICIAL MINUTES
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A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OSCODA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD WAS HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2012 AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE OSCODA COUNTY LIBRARY.

Call to Order: 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Olsen, Crane, Call, and Shumaker
Members Absent: Stenzel
Others Present: Amy Knepp and Tom Trimmer

Old Business

Millage Ballot Proposal Wording

The board discussed the number of mills over the course of the 4-year request.

Members created a master list of what the millage should be used for. The list consists of restoration of cuts made over the past 5 years, building maintenance before building falls into disrepair as well as improvements to reduce energy costs.

Board members expressed concern of the proposed wording which included the reduction from ½ mill in year 1 to ¼ mill in years 2-4. Board member Shumaker expressed concern of the continued reduction of penal fines and state aid as well as the library cooperative's paying for the majority of MeL delivery. If co-op funding should be reduced/discontinued at some point, where will the funds come from to continue with MeL? The Library must plan for the yearly maintenance cost of Evergreen. There also needs to be a certain amount of revenue for the Library to receive state aid. Going down to ¼ mill may not provide us with the necessary amount on the Library's side.

Shumaker/Crane Motion to change wording on proposed ballot to ½ mill for four (4) years instead of ½ mill for year 1 and ¼ mill for years 2-4.

Chairman Olsen requested a roll call vote.

Olsen – Aye
Crane – Aye
Shumaker – Aye
Call – Aye

4 Ayes : 0 Nays. **Motion carried.**

The board would like estimates from local builders on a drop ceiling which will be part of the change in lighting to reduce energy costs. Board chair Olsen will work on this.

Director Knepp will be speaking with Merit to learn about fiber in our area.

A brochure about the Library has been prepared by our after-school intern, Wyatt Knepp. The board will receive a copy to review shortly.

Seeing no further business, Chairman Olsen adjourned the meeting. The next regular meeting will be held April 11, 2012 at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Shumaker - Secretary