

**Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library District
Minutes of the September 26, 2011 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library District was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by board president Barbara Brust. Present at the meeting were trustees Lori Dreher, Judith Pokorny, Kathryn Tamms and Linda Wallace. Also present was library director Carol Schrey. Trustee Luann Sarro was absent.

Changes/Corrections to the Agenda: None

Questions/Comments-Public/Media: None

Minutes: Motion Tamms, sec. Dreher to approve minutes of the August 22, 2011 regular meeting. Voice vote: Ayes carry motion.

Motion Wallace, sec. Pokorny to approve minutes of the August 15, 2011 special meeting. Brust-Y, Dreher-Y, Pokorny-Y, Tamms-Y, Wallace-Y. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion Pokorny, sec. Tamms to approve for payment September 2011 bills in the amount of \$20,624.81. Ayes carry motion.

Motion Tamms, sec. Wallace to adopt and file Certified Estimate of Revenues by Source. Ayes carry motion.

Transfer of unexpended 2010-2011 funds to special reserve was tabled for later discussion.

Director's Report: The Hampshire Village Board approved the release of \$8000 in impact fees at its September meeting, and a professional fee agreement for consulting services is being presented for library board approval. After receiving approval from the fire department for the placement location of the proposed AV shelving units, director Schrey will proceed with that purchase. Installation of new Mediacom cables is moving forward, and director Schrey is working with consultant Dick Thompson on updating the building plan. Auditors Tighe, Kress & Orr will be forwarding for board review a draft of the audit performed on September 6. Director Schrey has used funds from the FY2011 per capita grant to purchase five Nook eReaders for the library, and has plans to add Kindles, Sony eReaders and possibly an iPad. The devices are currently being used by library staff, but will begin circulating to the public in October or November. Staff members Hare, Sheahan and Kleiser submitted reports on library conferences attended over the summer. In compliance with the FY2012 per capita grant, board members are asked to review the "Government and Administration" portion of *Standards for Illinois Public Libraries*.

President's Report: Board president Brust shared a "Call to Action" email from the Illinois Library Association that urges ILA members to send letters to Governor Quinn requesting that a library representative (Richard McCarthy of the Gail Borden board of trustees) be appointed to

the Local Government Consolidation Commission created by Public Act 97-316. She included a sample message text and reminded board members that advocacy is a vital part of the role of library trustee.

Unfinished Business: Library Hours of Operation was removed from the agenda for the time being.

New Business: Motion Pokorny, sec. Wallace to approve modification to the FY2011-2012 operating budget, appending budget line item *53-10: Consulting Fees* to include the \$8000 in impact fees from the Village. Ayes carry motion.

Motion Tamms, sec. Wallace to adopt Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2011-09-01 as modified. Ayes carry motion.

Motion Pokorny, sec. Wallace to accept the agreement for financial advisory services from Ehlers & Associates at the quoted price of \$7650.00. Ayes carry motion.

Executive Session: None

Open Discussion: A special meeting was scheduled for October 13 to continue review of the revised Policy Manual.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m. by president Barbara Brust.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Tamms, Secretary