

**LUTHER AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Thursday, November 10, 2022  
115 State Street  
Luther, MI 49656**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Langenburg called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

<b>Present:</b>	<b>President:</b>	L. Langenburg
	<b>Vice-President:</b>	J. Trimberger
	<b>Treasurer:</b>	D. Long
	<b>Secretary:</b>	K. Goodlein
	<b>Director:</b>	A. Shank
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Trustee:</b>	K. Frankfort

**VISITOR COMMENTS**

No visitors.

**APPROVING AGENDA**

Langenburg approved the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion and seconded made by Langenburg and Trimberger to approve with corrections the regular meeting minutes of October 13, 2022. **Motion CARRIED.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Motion and seconded made by Langenburg and Goodlein to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. **Motion CARRIED.**

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT**

Director Shank confirmed her written report and added the following:

- They continue taking inventory.

- She has been to several townships so far, discussing how the library can better serve their residents. She still must do Newkirk, Ellsworth, and Luther Village.
- Shane Hillman has been volunteering at the library.

Motion and seconded by Langenburg and Trimberger to approve the Librarian's Report. **Motion CARRIED.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

- a. **Sign above front entrance needs repair** – The sign appears to have delaminated. Langenburg will look at it and see if we need a new one or if it just needs to be repainted.
- b. **Doors and doorknobs** – Long said we are still waiting on the contractor.
- c. **Garden** – Langenburg met with Master Gardener Judy Grahek and made a diagram and took notes of work that needs to be done. Debi Lakatos and her family spent hours doing fall clean-up. We will acknowledge their work in the December Community Newsletter. Langenburg is in discussions with Debi concerning the Garden Manager position.
- d. **Flagpole** – Bob Long looked at it. He said it will make it through the winter, but it does need to be replaced. Discussion as to replacement flagpole. Director Shank will make inquiries and also contact Bill Cortwright. Bill does flags around town.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Christmas/New Years** – The holidays fall on a Sunday this year. Director Shank and the Librarian would like to close the library Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2. Approved.
- b. **Consumers Energy Smart Thermostat Program** – Long brought in an ad from Consumers Energy concerning an offer to earn a prepaid \$300 Mastercard if we agree to purchase a specific programmable thermostat and agree to let them set our thermostat remotely via Wi-Fi. Discussion. We just purchased a programmable thermostat in March for \$246 and we also want to have our own control over the temperature. The Board agreed that we don't want the offer. Director Shank will contact the HVAC contractor we use and double-check that we are utilizing the thermostat for the greatest cost savings.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

None.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

None.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

December 8, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Langenburg adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Karin Goodlein, Secretary