

Independence Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes  
Wednesday, January 20, 2021

- I. Call the Meeting to Order: The regular meeting of the library board was called Order by Chairman Tom Richardson at 5:17p.m.**  
**Trustees Attending:** Michelle Anderson, James Reed, Tom Richardson, Tom Sewell, Ron Schwatken and Carolyn Torrance. **Absent:** none  
**Also Attending:** Library Director Jeri Hopkins, Assistant Director John Long and Recording Secretary Maddison Cochran
  - a. **Adoption of Agenda:** Carolyn T. moved and Tom S. seconded a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.
  - b. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the December 16 2020 meeting were approved.
- II. Consent Agenda:** The consent agenda was adopted as presented. Total expenses for bills for the month of December were \$63,724.02.
- III. Old Business:**
  - A. Building at 6th and Main Report:
    1. The library has always wanted land on Main Street and it would potentially be a green space for the library.
    2. One reservation about purchasing it is the cost of tearing the building down. Not an ideal location.
    3. The building behind the library (5th and Main) is much more ideal and will be discussed with the city.
- IV. New Business:**
  - A. Maddison Anniversary Pay Increase (2/17/2021): Carolyn T. moved and James R. seconded a motion to approve the pay increase for Maddison starting on the 17th of February 2021.
- V. Staff Reports:**
  - A. Memorial for Dr. Barta - animal book collection
  - B. Small Business Conference - January 27th
  - C. Crossroads Exhibit - The Independence Historical Museum is hosting the exhibit from January 28th - March 5th 2021
  - D. Glass for both 3rd floor and 1st floor desk arriving next week for installation
- VI. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17 at 5:15 p.m.**

**Michelle Anderson, Secretary**

**Date of Approval: 02/17/2021**