

**City of Tipton Municipal Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting
April 25, 2024**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jeanne Edwards, president, called to order the regular meeting of the City of Tipton Municipal Library District Board of Trustees at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 25, 2024, at Price James Memorial Library, Tipton, Mo.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL: The following trustees were present: Jeanne Edwards, Reta Bestgen, Debbie Schreck, Karla Pettigrew, Georgianne Morgan, Lianne Twyman and Lori Bestgen. Trustees Emily Heard and Kerry Uptergrove were absent. Library Director Marsha Nelson was also present.

IV. APPROVE AGENDA:

Debbie Schreck made a motion to approve the agenda. Lori Bestgen seconded and the motion carried.

V. APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Karla Pettigrew previously distributed the minutes of the March 27, 2024, meeting via email. Lori Bestgen made a motion to approve the minutes, Debbie Schreck seconded and the motion carried.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lori Bestgen provided copies of the treasurer's report which included a review of the general ledger, balance sheet and the current operating budget. Lianne Twyman made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Georgianne Morgan seconded and the motion carried.

VII. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Marsha Nelson, library director, previously distributed the March circulation report via email and gave a general update with the following items.

East Door: City has temporarily fixed it so it can be closed and locked. Jeff Koechner said parts are ordered and it will be fixed soon.

MU Extension Classes: Morgan Borts Ream, MU Extension specialist, is presenting Kids in the Kitchen to the second- and third-grade classes from St. Andrew Catholic School. Morgan has sent Marsha a list of possible adult and kid classes that might be offered over the summer months of July or early August.

Gifted Class: The gifted class from Tipton Elementary visited and checked out books. Teacher Sara Moon plans this as a weekly event and, depending on the temperature, would use the upstairs for a research time.

Partial Solar Eclipse Program: There were three programs with more than 100 attending. Marsha is considering hosting an astronomy program this summer with presenter Emily Gray.

Summer School Classes: The library will host a 30-minute story time for 10 of the Tipton Elementary summer school classes each week in June. Marsha has asked the teachers to avoid Monday due to the library story time scheduled for Mondays. A tentative schedule has been set up and Marsha welcomes anyone wishing to volunteer to be a guest reader.

Library Donation: The library received a substantial donation given in memory of Lucy Hays by her daughter. The donation will be used to purchase Mark Twain award books, e-books and e-audio books, as was done last year.

Book Signing: Gov. Mike Parson did a book signing in California and Marsha is going to contact his office about having a book signing at Price James Library.

VIII: FRIENDS OF PRICE JAMES LIBRARY: There was nothing to report from the group.

IX: PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: A picture of the present board needs to be taken when all members are present.

X: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Council Presentation: Marsha and board president Jeanne Edwards attended the April meeting of the Tipton City Council. The annual report was sent to the council prior to the meeting and no questions were asked. The mayor said that the porch balcony railings would be installed when the material arrived. Railings on the handicap ramp will also be replaced because of loose railings and concrete breaking up.

XI: NEW BUSINESS:

Spring Clean Up: A time of 4 p.m. Sunday, May 5, was set for clean up around the library grounds.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 23, 2024.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm
Minutes submitted by Karla Pettigrew

