

**HART AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2024**

Minutes taken by Susie Gray, Assistant Director

Call to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: Nancy Sterk, Penny Burillo, Todd Metzler, Mary Sloan, Amanda Klotz, Director Kathleen Rash, Assistant Director Susie Gray. Absent: Juan Cortes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Burillo to approve the agenda as presented. Support by Sloan. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Stephanie Hughes and Terry Puffenberger from Golden Township were present to observe and request information about the status of the library contract with Golden.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Metzler to approve the minutes of November 11, 2024. Support by Klotz. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: Motion by Burillo to approve the closed session minutes of November 11, 2024. Support by Sloan. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nothing other than the Director's materials.

Motion by Burillo to approve bills and payments for November 2024. Support by Sloan. Motion carried.

Motion by Metzler to accept financial statements for November 2024. Support by Klotz. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Written report. Kathleen added that the Silent Auction is going well.

CITY REPORT: Nothing but the MOU that we will be discussing later.

TOWNSHIP REPORT: Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. City/Library Agreements: Discussion. Motion by Metzler to accept the current draft of the Memorandum of Understanding. Support by Burillo. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Employee wage scales: Discussion. Motion by Sloan to set new hire rate at \$15.00/hr for Library Assistant positions and adjust the wage scale from that amount for all employees. Support by Klotz. Roll call vote: Sterk-yes, Burillo-yes, Klotz-yes, Metzler-yes, Sloan-yes. Motion by Metzler to approve the 2.5% COLA. Support by Burillo. Roll call vote: Sterk-yes, Burillo-yes, Klotz-yes, Metzler-yes, Sloan-yes.
2. Erate-Internet: Discussion of proposals. Motion by Metzler to contract with Merit for five years at 150mps. Support by Klotz. Roll Call vote: Sterk-yes, Burillo-yes, Klotz-yes, Metzler-yes, Sloan-yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Approved at meeting on: _____

Secretary

President