Fort Dodge Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

September 26, 2023

I. Call to order/Roll Call

President Kelly Hindman called to order the Zoom meeting of the Fort Dodge Public Library Board of Trustees at 3:32 p.m. on September 26, 2023 at the Fort Dodge Public Library.

The following persons were present: Rita Schmidt (Director), Alexis Powers (staff), Deb Kelleher, Merrily Dixon, and Kelly Hindman.

II. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the revised agenda was made by Kelleher, and seconded by Dixon. Motion carried.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the August meeting minutes was made by Dixon and seconded by Kelleher. Motion carried.

IV. Comments/Questions from the Public

V. Bills and Financial Reports

- A. Dixon moved payments in the amount of \$12,084.60 to be approved in the Gift and Memorial Accounts. Kelleher seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Kelleher moved payments in the amount of \$6,368.88 to be approved in the City Funds Accounts, Dixon seconded, Motion carried.

VI. Communications/Board Education

VII. Committee Reports

A. Friends – Booksale is Oct. 30- Nov. 4, Brown Bag Briefings return Thursdays in Oct., possible confusion on wording for the first briefing, the book store is doing well.

VIII. Directors Report

Building

• Schmidt will provide updates on the closed sidewalks when available.

Website

- The calendar portion of the website is completed. Training will be in mid-November. Programming
 - Children's Department activity bags, a coloring contest, new Look and Find, and storytimes have returned for fall. The Open House will be October 25th.

Personnel

- The city is looking at merit-based pay. The library's job descriptions will need to be reviewed/updated to simplify annual performance reviews.
- Interviews for the part-time position will take place next week.
- The full-time position has opened internally.

Misc.

• Emmanuel Al-Hameed has been banned due to his behavior in the library.

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

XI. Adjournment

Kelleher moved a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Dixon. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.