

Pleasant Hill Library Board of Trustees
February 25, 2021 6:00 p.m.

OATH OF OFFICE: Sam Reed recited the Oath of Office. The form will be signed by Reed and President Diver.

ROLL CALL: President Diver called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Trustees Present: Michael Diver, Vanessa Sedrel, Jill Duden, Steve Messer, and Sam Reed. Also present: Library Director John Lerdal, City Manager Ben Champ, Communications Specialist Candace Bell, and City Councilmen Leonard Murray and Ross Grooters.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: SEDREL/DUDEN moved to approve the agenda. All ayes.

APPROVE MINUTES: DUDEN/MESSER moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021 meeting. All ayes.

PUBLIC INPUT: Patron Kim "R" was present but chose not to address the Board. Councilman Leonard Murray welcomed Sam Reed to the Board. Murray discussed a resident's will that stated he wanted his land to be donated to the City as long as it was used for a City park. He proposed possible park benches and boxes that could serve as gathering places to get Library materials/books.

CONSENT AGENDA: SEDREL/DUDEN moved to approve bills from January 28, 2021 through February 25, 2021 in the amount of \$6,677.04 and meeting dates of March 25, 2021 and April 22, 2021. All ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Library Reopening: Lerdal mentioned things are going very well with the reopening. Attendance is increasing gradually. Storytime has switched online to Zoom. Curbside pickup is still going, as well as grab-n-go crafts/activities. Bear (Be Excited About Reading) program and the Adult Reading Challenge already have several kids and adults signed up. Items are all being disinfected as they are returned. Mask wearing is still in effect.

Building Renovation: Lerdal discussed the progress of the renovation. Demolition will be finished up this week. Due to the dumpsters out front and ongoing construction, Lerdal would like to get a large sign made that states that the Library is still open to the public.

Library Board Position: Has been filled by Sam Reed.

Polk County Betterment Grant: Lerdal will be turning this in this week. It will primarily be used for software programs intended to help students. The resource link will be located in one place on the library's website. He is hopeful they will hear a result in April.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Library FY 21/22 Budget Update: The Council workshops are finished. The City Council did approve the Assistant Director position for the Library. Lerdal discussed future budget considerations. Diver and Lerdal emphasized the ongoing desire of increased staffing needs and benefits to part-time employees.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Lerdal has received his first Covid vaccine. Meeting minutes will be available online at the city's website from this point on.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- a. Library Reopening
- b. Building Renovation
- c. Budget Requests
- d. Hoopla Grant

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

- a. Michael Diver—welcome Sam Reed.
- b. Jill Duden—it's nice to have a full Board again
- c. Steve Messer—none
- d. Sam Reed—thank you and I look forward to meeting with you all
- e. Vanessa Sedrel—none

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Lynette Fadden
Recording Secretary