

**Thornton Public Library Board  
Meeting March 19, 2019**

**Call to Order:** 6:05 PM **Roll Call:** Present: L. Jamrock, P. Rupcich, J. Diekelman, President S. Garza. Director David Luurtsema present.

Absent: L. Kammert, K. Ehlers, M. Ferris

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve by Pat Rupcich (opposed by Judy Diekelman by means of her absence from the past meeting). Minutes approved by acclimation of all other board members present.

**Correspondence:** none

**Treasurer's Report:** Filed for Audit (Linda Kammert arrives 6:19pm)

**Approval of Vouchers (Claims List):** McShanes will be splitting the bill into two charges per month, overages similarly. Motion to accept claims list for payment by L. Jamrock second by J. Diekelman. Voice vote: P. Rupcich yea, Linda Kammert yea, Lennard Jamrock yea, Judy Diekelman yea, President Sandy Garza yea. Motion carried.

**Report of Committees:**

**Adult Program:** **Book Club,** Crafts, Reading club, Paint Night, attended. April 26 will be next Paint Night possibility. Full Report statistics filed.

**Children's Program:** Statics filed, Possible program at Coolege school will partner for an evening of stargazing in August 10 (Saturday). Joint with other Libraries. Docent was trained at NASA. Summer read program is stars and space. Will be a family event, Trustee L. Jamrock will be point contact for Thornton Library. Summer reading program will begin in two months.

**President's Report:** East Hazel Crest Library Board Meeting to be April 1 at 7pm. Village Hall of East Hazel Crest. Thornton Board members are welcome to attend. Homewood Library is giving issue of use problem notifications to Hazel Crest patrons (June date). East Hazel Crest Cards will be issued to East Hazel Crest beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. Statement of Economic interest must be filed by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Director's Report:** Swan Fee increase next year, recommend budget for \$13,000 to cover increases. Comcast fees expected to increase. Furnaces are reaching expected life, replacement when needed we suggest they be placed on roof opening up more room for storage of other equipment. We are looking for estimates on costs. We are looking to share extermination events with the Village next door (small issues have arisen with insect & vermin). Carpet upstairs need to be replaced. Children's area rug replaced as well. Computer replacement also to be scheduled. There are issues with filing East Hazel Crest's IPLAR statement, Homewood is contracted to do the work but there may be an issue that they do not do it and funding is lost. We have no information to complete the work. Homewood does not have a library director at the moment, and there are other union issues at the moment as well.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Budget:** Budget proposal reviewed. Swan fees increasing, Comcast fees increasing, Health insurances proposed increases of 30%. LIRA insurance may be increase but it is in our best interest to find out what increase may be for next 3-year contract, Director will inquire. Supplies budget needs to be increased. Postage budget needs to be increased. Accounting budget should remain as last year. Proposed date for turn in is May (after April elections). Our lawyer needs to review the budget. Filing is in July.

**Budget meeting set for March 30, 9 AM.**

**New Business:** none    **Executive Session:** none

**Announcements:** David Luurtsema has notified the board of his resignation as library director effective August 31, 2019. A two-week library overlap with the next director can be accommodated.

**Next Meeting Tuesday April 16, 2019 6pm. Budget meeting March 30, 9AM.**

**Adjournment:** Call made for adjournment and adjourned 8:18PM.

Approved  
M. K. Ferris  
April 16, 2019