

MORTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
April 14, 2021

The Morton Public Library District Board meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm. Director Williams, and board members Keach, Gryl, Ropp, Turner, Kuhl and Thompson were present. Riesberg was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

MINUTES

The minutes from the March 10, 2021 Regular Board meeting were approved as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gryl provided the treasurer's report. Director Williams provided a quarterly financial update. **Kuhl moved and Ropp seconded that the April bills be paid. The motion carried unanimously.**

Invoices Paid	\$23,973.44	Payroll-Director	\$ 6,906.89
Ameren Illinois	290.98	Staff	<u>31,408.13</u>
I3 Broadband	384.02	Payroll Total:	\$38,315.02
Morton Utilities	760.55	Employer IMRF:	\$ 3,877.80
United Healthcare	<u>3,663.97</u>	Employer FICA:	\$ 2,785.27
Total Paid:	\$29,072.96		

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Williams reported that 60% of the library staff have been vaccinated. Materials quarantine procedures have ceased. The library will return to full hours as of May 3rd. The play areas will not be reopened at that time and the management team will discuss seating options. A staff celebration will be held Tuesday April 27th. Williams noted that the shelving positions typically held by high school students will be phased out by December, as they are no longer sustainable with the increases to minimum wage. Williams and the management team continue to explore creative ways to address staffing.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed and discussed the Managed IT proposals. **Thompson moved and Kuhl seconded to approve the proposal from IT360. The motion carried unanimously.**

Gryl moved and Ropp seconded to approve the Disaster Plan proposed by Director Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

Gryl moved and Turner seconded to approve the Audit Engagement Letter. The motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the construction bid and alternate options for the work on the rear bathrooms. Grant Zobrist was available to answer questions. The bid was significantly higher than originally expected, and only one contractor submitted a bid. The board discussed postponing the project while the scope of the project is reconsidered. The project will be rebid at a later date. **Gryl moved and Kuhl seconded to not accept the construction bid. The motion carried unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS

The board thanked Michele Kuhl for her years of service to the library. The board discussed the vacancy that will be left by Kuhl's stepping down from the board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather W. Thompson, Secretary

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 4:30 PM.