



## The Colfax Public Library Board

April 19, 2023

President Claudia Kressin called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. in person.

### Attendance

- Members present: Nancy Baumgartner, Eve Suckow, Claudia Kressin, Gary Stene, Jeanne Herrick, Abbie Hartung, and Library Director Lisa Bragg-Hurlburt
- Non-members present:

Quorum: A quorum has been established.

Open meeting law: We are in certification of compliance with the open meeting law.

### Approval of Agenda

- Jeanne Herrick made a motion to accept the agenda. Nancy Baumgartner seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the Board.

### Approval of Minutes

- Nancy Baumgartner made a motion to approve the minutes of February 2023. Eve Suckow seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the Board.

### Approval of Bills

- Nancy Baumgartner made a motion to approve the bills for February 2023. Jeanne Herrick seconded the approval. Unanimously approved by the Board.

### Director's Report

- The new Circulation Librarian, Jess Dunn, doing an excellent job learning quickly and working extra hours. Jess applied for a grant on behalf of the library and received it. If \$200 is raised in support from local businesses, an additional \$400 will be rewarded toward children's books. These books will supplement the Summer Reading holdings.
- Book Club attendance went up from 5 to 15.
- Lego Club has begun again, with new participants after the second-grade field trip.
- An evening Story Time will take place this month in addition to the regular Story Times.
- Steve Russell will be performing Bubbles in the Park again this year.
- Mark Mosey is joining us at a future outdoor Story Time. Families are going to do a scavenger hunt, educational nature hike, and picnic with us at the new Red Cedar Preserve.
- Recently, the Women's Club had a bake sale and donated \$200 along with a card thanking the library ahead of time for National Library Week.

## Monthly Reports

Village Board Representative—Gary Stene

- Installation of new committee members on April 18, 2023.
- Stressed that it is expensive to maintain roads.

County Board Representative— Gary Stene

- Ridgeland is continually added to the agenda.

School Representative— Megan Cormican

Building Remodel Group Representative—Nancy Baumgartner

- Bryant Christenson from River Valley Architects toured the building and answered questions in relation to a cost estimate for the project. Bryant thought the plan Cedar Corps had given us was good, but recommended considering the amount of money put into the basement. He had concerns about the temporary supports that are currently helping hold the library up. Also, there is a cracking in the wall by the furnace. This week Cedar Corps is coming for a tour of the building. After Cedar Corps, CBS Squared will be touring as well.
- In order to receive a grant, a fully developed design is needed.
- There is a total of \$123,196.86 in the Elevator Fund (including pledges).

## Current Business

- In order to benefit new Board Members, the Trustee Essential chapters will be starting over at one.
- Covid Policy and restrictions were tabled to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: May 23 at 5:30 P.M.

Adjourn