# MORTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT February 12, 2025

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Scott Mousty was present to observe the meeting. Mr. Mousty is a candidate for election to the Board in April.

# **MINUTES**

The minutes from the December 11, 2024 Board Meeting were approved as submitted.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Gryl was absent. Director Williams reported that the Walters' and Dallinger's gifts were used to purchase a six months CD at Better Banks in the amount of \$225,000 at the rate of 4.23%.

Ropp moved and Turner seconded that the February bills be paid. A roll call vote was held. The motion carried unanimously.

Ropp moved and Keach seconded that the payment of the January bills be ratified. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Quarterly Budget Report from Oct.-Dec. 2024.

February 2025	
Invoices Paid	\$46,634.88
Ameren Illinois	628.96
I3 Broadband	396.85
Morton Utilities	587.35
Total Bills:	\$48,248.04
Director	\$ 7,620.63
Staff	40,045.03
Payroll Total:	\$47,665.66
Employer IMRF	\$ 4.415.49
Employer FICA	\$ 3,646.46

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Williams announced that the Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Candidate Forum at Bertha Frank on March 12<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm.

This summer will be the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hannah's Reading Garden. Ten Groove in the Garden concerts will be held between May 30<sup>th</sup> to August 8<sup>th</sup>. The staff are discussing additional ideas about how to celebrate the anniversary, including installing a Story Walk on the grounds, installing additional permanent signage in the Garden and selling Groove in the Garden T-shirts and outdoor blankets. Board Member Thompson will meet with Director Williams to continue to discuss plans for the celebration.

Officer elections will be held at the May Board Meeting, after elections in April. The annual Village Forecast breakfast will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> 8-10 am at the Barn at Bull Run.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Thompson moved and Ropp seconded to eliminate the Equipment Loan Policy as it is obsolete. The motion carried unanimously.

Ropp moved and Thompson seconded to approve the newly revised Anti-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy. The motion carried unanimously.

Ropp moved and Keach seconded to sign off on the revisions LIMRiCC made to the Intergovernmental Agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

#### OTHER BUSINES

On April 1<sup>st</sup>, the library will be hosting another discussion for the school district's community read of the book *Anxious Generation*.

Ropp noted that a patron commented on the friendly and welcoming atmosphere of the library.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Respectfully submitted, Heather W. Thompson, Secretary

The next meeting will be held Wednesday March 12 at 4:30 pm.