

**MINUTES OF THE THOMAS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JANUARY 18TH, 2024**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:00 P.M. BY MR. DOUGLAS BIRD, PRESIDENT IN THE MEETING ROOM AT THE THOMAS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY, 8207 SHIELDS DRIVE, SAGINAW, MI 48609.

PRESENT: MR. DOUGLAS BIRD, PRESIDENT; MRS. JODI HOLLIS, VICE PRESIDENT; MRS. LYNDA THAYER, SECRETARY/TREASURER; MRS. LUANN MARX, TRUSTEE; MRS. JANET KENNELLY, TRUSTEE.

ABSENT: MRS. DONNA TROMBLEY, TRUSTEE; MS. JANET ADAIR, YOUTH SERVICES LIBRARIAN.

OTHERS PRESENT: MS. TARI DUSEK, LIBRARY DIRECTOR.

AGENDA: MRS. MARX MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, SECONDED BY MRS. HOLLIS. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED BY ALL TRUSTEES.

MINUTES: THE DECEMBER 21ST, 2023 MINUTES WERE REVIEWED. MRS. HOLLIS MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED, SECONDED BY MRS. KENNELLY. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCES: THE JANUARY 18TH, 2024 FINANCES WERE REVIEWED. MS. DUSEK NOTED THAT THE ANNUAL ALARM MONITORING WAS PAID. VOUCHER #8850 WAS WRITTEN TO JOLETEC FOR THE ADVANCED OFF-SITE CONFIGURATION OF THE SIX REFURBISHED INTERNET COMPUTERS THAT WERE PURCHASED. THERE WERE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS. MRS. MARX MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE DECEMBER 21ST, 2023 FINANCES AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION WAS SUPPORTED BY MRS. KENNELLY AND APPROVED BY ALL TRUSTEES.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: NONE.

COMMUNICATIONS: THE LIBRARY WAS CLOSED ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH, 2024 DUE TO POOR WEATHER CONDITIONS. TOWNSHIP MANAGER, RUSSELL TAYLOR, STOPPED IN THE LIBRARY ON JANUARY 16TH AND STATED THAT THE DRIVE THRU WILL BE ONE OF THE LAST PROJECTS COMPLETED AT THE NEW TOWNSHIP OFFICE. ALSO, THE PARKING LOT REPAIRS WILL BE DISCUSSED IN MORE DETAIL IN THE SPRING. ON VOTING DAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, THE PLAN IS TO OPEN THE GATES BETWEEN THE LIBRARY PARKING LOT AND THE CONSTRUCTION AREA TO ALLOW FOR EASIER ACCESS AND PARKING.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

THE WEBMASTER WAS CONTACTED AND A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE LIBRARY ON EITHER JANUARY 24TH OR 26TH IN THE LATE AFTERNOON. THE DATE AND TIME TO BE FINALIZED WITH ALYSSA. MRS. KENNELLY WILL ATTEND. THE CONTENT, LAYOUT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SITE WAS DISCUSSED.

THE APPLICATION FOR READsquared WAS SUBMITTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

NEW COMPUTERS FOR THE TWO ADMINISTRATION OFFICES WAS DISCUSSED WITH MARK FROM JOLETEC ON JANUARY 18TH. HE SUGGESTED DELL OPTIPLEX i5'S WITH SOLID STATE HARD DRIVES AND 27" MONITORS. HE WILL COMPILE QUOTES FOR PURCHASING NEW HARDWARE AND FOR PURCHASING REFURBISHED HARDWARE.

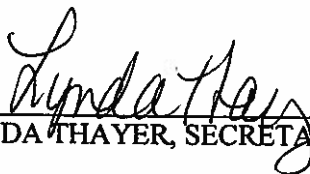
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THE JANUARY 1ST, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31ST, 2023 STATEMENT FOR THE EVA EARLE CHARITABLE TRUST WAS PRESENTED.

MR. BIRD PROVIDED INFORMATION ABOUT ILLUSTRATOR AND COMIC BOOK CREATOR JAY FOSGITT. HE HAS REACHED OUT TO JAY ABOUT DOING A PRESENTATION AT THE LIBRARY, BUT HASN'T HAD A RESPONSE BACK YET.

MR. BIRD STATED THAT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 4:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2024, IN THE MEETING ROOM AT THE THOMAS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY.

MRS. THAYER MOTIONED THAT THE MEETING AJOURN AT 4:50 P.M., SUPPORTED BY MRS.MARX. ALL VOTED AYE. MEETING AJOURNED.


LYNDA THAYER, SECRETARY/TREASURER


TARI DUSEK, DIRECTOR