Library Board of Trustee Minutes from the Meeting on April 17, 2023

Call to Order: Marcell called the meeting to order at 4:03pm.

Announcement of Compliance with OPML: Notice of this meeting was advertised in the April 12, 2023, Ocean City Sentinel and the March 30, 2023, AC Press, posted on the Library’s website, on bulletin boards inside the library and in the City Clerk’s office.

Attendance: Fred Marcell, Dr. Pritchard, Lauren Cowden, Brian Broadley, Anne Guy, Ron Denney, Mike Allegretto. Karen Mahar, Kathryn Brown, Steve Barse.

Approval of the Minutes: A motion was made by Allegretto to approve the regular session minutes of the March meeting with a second from Cowden. All present were in favor. Denney moved to approve the minutes of the executive session from March 2023 with a second from Allegretto. All present were in favor.

Treasurer’s Report: Pritchard noted the small number of liabilities. The Return to Taxpayer number is current. Broadley would like Mahar to investigate the possibility of moving funds to obtain a better interest rate. (See below for approval motion)

Action on Bills: There was nothing of note.
A motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report and pay the bills was made by Denney and seconded by Allegretto. All present were in favor.

President’s Report: In Shirk’s absence, Marcell thanked members for serving.

Director’s Report: Mahar distributed a flyer of upcoming events prepared monthly by employee, Shannon Belden. Active Shooter training continues to be coordinated for the entire facility and cameras and additional security will be added to the rest of the facility (the Library has had these in place already for some time). The Library hours are fully covered by the OCPD again for Summer. There is an Author Showcase scheduled for May 7th. Mahar has contacted the auditors to begin work but is waiting for a response. The preliminary work on the roof has been completed and the Library section is scheduled to begin mid-May. Renovations are tentatively to begin in late Fall. Plans have been updated for the architect. Morning and evening computer classes have been well attended. An Open House may be scheduled for Chamber of Commerce members to familiarize themselves with services offered. Members are to see Mahar if wishing to attend the upcoming Working Woman of the Year luncheon.

Communications/Correspondence: A complimentary letter regarding the reading clubs was received.

Friends and Volunteers Report: A dinner is scheduled for April 26th to welcome twenty-two new members. The Author Tea is sold out! The recent Book Sale earned over 4K and the Dollar Cart made over $200.00. Members will host a table at the Block Party on May 6th.

Building Issues: See Director’s report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: Denney moved to adjourn at 4:31pm with a second from Allegretto. All present were in favor.