

**MINUTES OF THE EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 12, 2011
6:30 PM Library Lower Level**

1. Treasurer Elizabeth Topa called the meeting to order at 6:40. Present were Trustee Ruth Hansen, Trustee Ruth McDonald, Trustee Deborah Pearson, Vice President Eugene Tabour Secretary Kim Shine and Library Director Nicki Seidl.

2. Deborah Pearson motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 10, 2010, (after amending a spelling error), was seconded by Ruth Hansen, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Nicki Seidl. A motion was presented by Deborah Pearson and was seconded by Ruth Hansen to file the Treasurer's report for audit.

Ruth McDonald motioned and was seconded by Ruth Hansen to approve the list of bills payable for January 2011. Both motions made during the Treasurer's Report passed unanimously.

4. Public Participation:

- Steve Doran
- Jake Welch

5. Librarian's Report:

- Announcing-Save the date- **January 29, 2011, River Boat Gambling Night @ the Library**. Sponsored by the Library Foundation who is hoping to raise \$10,000 to support the Summer Reading Program.
- **Technology**
 - ✓ -Events calendar and Room Reserve software is proving to be more difficult to set up than originally anticipated. The systems are online and web- based so can be accessed off site. Integration of on-line payments through E-Pay is being worked out.
 - ✓ Children's computer tables have still not arrived. The owner of the company has been notified of our displeasure.
- **Building-**
 - ✓ Fireplace is fixed.
 - ✓ Nicki is obtaining pricing on a free standing LED sign to replace the Village sign. More information to come.
- **Staff-**
 - ✓ Margaret Schultz resigned. Nicki is interviewing applicants for the position of circulation clerk.
 - ✓ Kate Bradley will be highlighted in the Sunday Southtown Food Section for her library presentation on "Twain's Feast", Tuesday, January 11, 2010.
- **MLS-**
 - ✓ On January 10, MLS Board voted to dissolve and merge with the four other systems in Northern Illinois into one mega system, effective June 30, 2011.

(5 yes votes, 2 no votes, 4 abstentions) This merger is of concern to many area library directors and was communicated to the MLS Board as such.

6. **Old Business:**

- None

7. **New Business:**

- The Library Board accepted with regrets the resignation of Trustee Kelly Burke. Expressions of gratitude for her years of service above and beyond the call of duty were voiced. She most certainly will be missed, and we wish her well in all future endeavors.
- Robert Porter from Ansel Glink spoke to the board about library finance and libraries under Municipal Home Rule.

8. **Adjournment:**

At 8:55 a motion to adjourn was presented by Trustee Deborah Pearson and seconded by Trustee Eugene Tabour. This suggestion was unanimously agreed to. The next month's regularly scheduled meeting will take place on February 9, 2011, at 7:00.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kim Hamilton Shine
Secretary, Evergreen Park Library Board