

Cherokee Public Library

Library Board Meeting

October 2, 2024

Board meeting was called to order with the following members present: Jomi Anderson, Deb Hankens, Darla Struck, Lisa Perrin, Linda Burkhart, Loretta Barrett, Tyler Puettmann, and Jonathan Riggert. Donna and Missi were visitors from staff and arrived around 9:00.

Board consensus approved the minutes from the September meeting Deb/Darla, while addressing an odd typo. A motion was made by Lisa/Jonathan and passed to approve the bills in the amount of \$10,286.47.

Correspondence this month included a thank you note and Tyler H serving on the University of Iowa's School of Library and Information Science advisory board.

In education Tyler H shared plans for the county library meeting on October 28 at 5:30 PM in the youth activity room.

In new business the board tabled the Retention of Records policy at the recommendation of city hall until there is a new city administrator. Holiday hours were considered with the library being closed holidays noted in the employee handbook, but also closing early on 11/7 (3PM), 12/24 (12PM) and 12/31 (12PM).

For librarian reports Donna and Missi shared about their continuing education with the board thanks to the Libraries Transforming Communities grant, which the library received. The two noted they were able to learn new and emerging practices from the State Library of Iowa and the Library for the Blind and Print Disabled. The group also shared that there were other libraries which were visited on the way back from Des Moines. The group affirmed that there were many practices that Cherokee does which exceeds service and procedures of other libraries in the state. Tyler H shared statistics for the month, which included a 117% increase in WiFi usage.

A motion was made and the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is Wednesday, November 6.