



**CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT**  
**Public Library Quarterly Meeting**  
**July 12, 2022**  
**MINUTES**

**I) Call meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum**

Meeting called to order by Secretary Stefan Kells at 5:15 p.m.

**Members Present:** Stefan Kells, Tracy Barr, Linda Vickers, and Jeanne Tykoski

**Others Present:** Chris Ely

**II) Action Items**

**1. Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2022**

Motion made by Jeanne Tykoski to approve minutes, seconded by Linda Vickers, motion carried.

**III) Information Reports**

**1. Advisory Board and Director Concerns**

Linda Vickers asked about the library's subscription to *The Whitewright Sun*, versus picking up a copy each week. Chris Ely explained it's slightly cheaper to subscribe, plus it's sometimes unreliable to pick up.

Chris Ely explained the "Whitewright Rocks" project to the board, in which painted rocks are being hidden in the downtown area. The library has made the community room available for those who need space, and a citizen has offered to leave a bucket of rocks outside the library for young artists to pick up.

**2. Financial and Statistical Reports**

Financial stats are running on target for the year. A question about what the "e-content" line item is was asked. It is for our Overdrive content, but they don't bill until September, which is at the end of our fiscal year, so it currently showing a zero balance. Our subscription to Apollo (library management system) also bills annually at the end of the fiscal year.

The "special projects expenditures" line item was also clarified for the board. "Donations/Special Projects" is used for any general donations or funds from grants/foundations. "Special Project Expenditures" reflects the spending from these funds.

Library visits almost doubled from 452 in May to 806 in June, which is back to pre-pandemic levels. The first Summer Reading Program had 95 attendees, with three more programs scheduled in July.

**3. Director's Report**

**a. Consider candidates for Library Advisory Board**

With Rod Earnheart's passing and Mike Holloway's expected resignation, the board needs to consider two appointees, as well as appoint a new Chair and Vice-Chair for the unexpired terms that end in January 2024.

Jeanne Tykoski volunteered to be Chair, Linda Vickers volunteered to be Vice Chair. Chris Ely will present this at the next city council meeting.

The board came up with five names to consider as board members, and Chris Ely will talk to the candidates to gauge their interest before the next meeting, and present the two candidates to the city council.

**b. Grants: TSLAC Community Advancement Packages (CAP)**

We received a \$2000 grant which is roughly split 50/50 between kits and graphic novels. Ten kits and a "boredom buster cart" have been purchased.

Staff has created a new "Juvenile Graphic Novel" section based on patron demand for elementary level graphic novels. Many of the new titles purchased with CAP grant funding fall into this section.



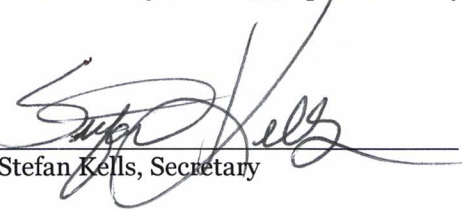
**c. Summer Reading Program**

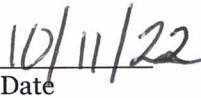
Our first summer program, Touch A Truck, was held the previous week, with 95 attendees. Public Works, EMS, and Police all had vehicles on display, and Sanitation Solutions brought a trash truck.

The remaining programs will include one about service dogs, a cosplay day, and a water play day. Legend Bank sponsored this year's brag tags, Jake Shockley State Farm made a donation we used for weekly prizes, and Gateway/Sonic made a donation towards the water slide program.

**IV) Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 5:56 p.m. made by Jeanne Tykoski, seconded by Traci Barr, motion carried.

  
Stefan Kells, Secretary

  
Date