

**CABELL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**February 25, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by the President, Charles Bagley, in the Conference Room at the Main Library at 4:00 p.m. Board members present were Jeanette Rowsey, and Betty Barrett (by telephone). Wendy Thomas and David Amsbary were absent. Judy Rule, Director, also attended.

Jeanette Rowsey moved and Betty Barrett seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2020 meeting as presented. Voted and passed.

Betty Barrett moved and Jeanette Rowsey seconded the motion to approve the following warrants from the regular account at Huntington Banks for January: checks numbered 54749 through 54871 totaling \$379,887.19; Smart Tax of \$55,964.76; and other direct deposits of state taxes, child support, and other ACH disbursements of \$10,051.04, and from the payroll account checks numbered 35319 through 35330 and vouchers numbered 37740 through 38029 for direct deposits with the transfer totaling \$195,767.04 for a total expenditure of \$517,697.55 from the regular account making a total expenditure of \$641,670.03. Also approved were checks number 1283 to 1282 in the amount of \$61,327.52 from the construction account. Voted and passed.

Reports included the following:

- Judy Rule attended Huntington City Council meeting on Monday evening and was encouraged by the report that the Mayor had spoken with Mr. Bates and informed him that they would need to find the funding that was requested for the Library.
- The annual Friends luncheon will be held one week later than normal on May 14, 2020 and the speaker will be Katharine Antolini, professor of History and Women's Studies at West Virginia Wesleyan University.
- We have had a request from the Office of Technology for all our router numbers and the passwords for the routers. This would give the Office of Technology access to our data, and would give them the ability to lock us out of our own system. No reason was given and Judy Rule informed Rob Davis he should refuse their request.
- The circulation is down in several of our branches and perhaps at the Main Library as well. There will be department heads/branch managers meeting next week at which time this will be discussed.
- We have hired a new Head of Maintenance—James Wooding. He had been working taking care of the in-town branches and we believe that he will be very good as head of Maintenance.
- The repair work on Milton is complete.

We have signed contracts with both Joe Nassif with Piper/Sandler for financial services and with Steptoe and Johnson for legal work with regard to the loan. It seems to be moving very slowly. Phoebe Randolph is still working with E. P. Leach to reduce to cost of construction without changing the integrity of the library.

Jeanette Rowsey moved and Betty Barrett seconded the motion to write a letter to the

Foundation of the Tri-State Community and ask them to close the Marilyn McCray Fund and let us use that money for the Barboursville Library construction. It was agreed that we would ask Marilyn's niece and brothers if they would send us letters to support our request. Voted and passed.

Charley Bagley volunteered to follow up with Michael S. Bailey, Esq. on the Audre Kaye bequest since Dennis Taylor had been unable to speak with him because he will not return Dennis's calls.

Betty Barrett moved and Jeanette Rowsey moved to approve Brock Nicholson's request for the educational benefit. Voted and passed.

Judy Rule spoke with the Police Chief when she went to City Council meeting and the police have been stopping by the library and coming in from time to time.

Judy Rule also reported that the tasting for the Gala went very, very well. The chef is from Maryland and came to this country many years ago from India. The food was excellent and we think the guests for the Gala will be pleased with the food.

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned.

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Judy K. Rule, Secretary

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Charles Bagley, President