Board President Barbara Brust called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library District to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Barbara Brust, Linda Wallace, Judy Pokorny, Linda Drendel and Heather Swanson. Trustees Ryan Schaefer and Pat Dumoulin were absent. Also present was Library Director Nancy Ashbrook, and Angel Flores, Adult Services Manager.

Changes/Corrections to the Agenda: None
Questions/Comments-Public/Media: None

Approval of Minutes:
A. Motion Wallace, sec. Swanson to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 24, 2019. Voice vote to approve the motion; ayes carry the motion.

Treasurer’s Report:
A. Motion Drendel, sec. Wallace to approve for payment the July 2019 bills, in the amount of $37,692.52. Brust-Y; Schaefer –Absent; Drendel-Y; Pokorny -Y; Dumoulin- Absent; Swanson- Y; and Wallace- Y. Motion passed.
B. Reviewed the end of fiscal year financial report.

Director’s Report: Circulation statistics, programming statistics and Ella’s Friends report was shared which includes a list of the upcoming concerts. The library has 2 new notaries available to patrons. The new bill payment system is ready to be used next month. Director Ashbrook shared samples of the revamped Fun Guide that is sent out with the Hampshire Park District. The first Sip and Paint event went very well, the next scheduled Sip and Paint is on October 18. Nancy McKay recently resigned.

President’s Report: President Brust shared an article about “disappearing ebooks” from Microsoft. If you purchased an ebook through Microsoft, it will soon disappear, and you are eligible for a refund. Governor Pritzker amended HB2993. Indian Trails Public Library won the Hugh C. Atkins Memorial Award. Brian Shepard, Executive Director of the Indian Trails Library and ILA Treasurer won 2019 Librarian of the Year Award. Barbara Brust was proud to share the news of this accomplishment for her niece’s husband.

Unfinished Business:
A. Motion Wallace, sec. Brust to release executive session minutes of the following meetings: 9/23/13, 12/23/13, 1/29/14, 2/24/14, 4/28/14, 11/27/17, 12/18/17, 1/22/18, 2/26/18, 4/23/18, 5/8/18, 5/14/18, 6/25/18, 8/27/18, 11/26/18 and 6/24/19. Schaefer-Absent; Brust-Y; Drendel-Y; Pokorny-Y; Dumoulin-Absent; Swanson-Y, and Wallace-Y. Motion passed.
B. Strategic Plan/Marketing Campaign – Tabled to August

New Business:
A. Public hearing is scheduled for August 26, 2019 at 6:45 p.m. for Tentative Budget & Appropriations for Ordinance 2019-08-01.
B. Board contact list has been updated and distributed.
C. Motion Drendel, sec. Pokorny to approve the 2020 half day in service dates for staff 2/11/20, 5/1/20, 8/13/20, and 11/13/20. Voice vote to approve the motion; ayes carry the motion.

Discussion: Trustee Pokorny asked about the status of recent executive sessions. Trustee Brust asked the board to review Nancy’s goals that were shared. Trustee Wallace shared a newspaper article about Gail Borden library tightening their budget to raise wages.

Adjournment: Board President Barbara Brust adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marisa Struyk, Recording Secretary