

Dripping Springs Community Library District  
October 20, 2021

Present: Missy Atwood, Bob Richardson, Marcie Cochran, Melva Codina, Marcia Atilano

8:40 a.m.- meeting called to order by Missy Atwood

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

Reports and Discussion Items:

- A. Librarian's Report - Marcia informed the Board that she has deposited an additional \$100,000 to the Tex-Pool Capital Improvement Account. She is also hoping to add an additional camera to the back of the library property.
- B. Treasurer's Report – In the absence of Treasurer, Derek Smith, Melva Codina presented the Third Quarter PFIA. The library is on exceptionally good financial footing. She pointed to the interest which has added quite a bit of monies to the account.
- C. hoopla and Overdrive statistics – After much research, Marcia is recommending continued use of both hoopla and Overdrive as a source of e-books for library patrons.
- D. Proposed 2022 Operating Budget – Marcia presented the proposed 2022 Operating Budget with explanations of changes or additions to the Budget. The Board discussed adding a line item which would show additional funding being set aside for future debt service. Melva asked if our Reserves had 4 months of monies set aside for budgetary purposes. Marcia said that there is more than 4 months. Marcie suggested that the Board look at increases to the projected 2022 Budget every 3 to 4 months instead of waiting until the end of the year to move extra monies. The Board will continue researching this possibility. A new custodial services company will begin work in January 2022 and will work 6 days a week instead of the present 5 days a week. Professional Services is also increasing as we will use the Susan Curran Accounting Office to monitor the tax-exempt status of Library policies and finances.
- E. Texas Sponsor a Highway Program – Marcia presented the possibility of purchasing a sign advertising the DSCL which would be placed on the south side of Hwy 290 near the Canyonwood stop light. The cost is \$5100.00 a year for two years.
- F. Camping Policy - The proposed policy was read for the third time.
- G. Maintaining DSCL tax-exempt status and potential grant agreement. The library counsel, Kate Leverett, is researching the present tax-exempt status for the Library and the Secretary of State's office.
- H. TIRZ Board update – Missy informed the Board that TIRZ is financially poised to return a portion of cost-sharing at a rate of \$52,000 per reimbursement. The TIRZ should be able to pay back \$189,000 to the Dripping Springs Community Library before the end of 2022. County Commissioner Walt Smith has informed Missy that Hays County donated \$200,000 to the Wimberly Library District to aid them in the construction of their new building. The Dripping Springs Community Library District should encourage approval for similar funding for the new library.
- I. Issues related to library planning - Despite multiple requests, DSISD has not set a meeting with the library or identified land that would be available to the library pursuant to the bilateral agreement and therefore there appears to be no meaningful option to locate the Library on property to be acquired from the District. Bob Richardson will explore an opportunity to meet with Dripping Springs school personnel and discuss options for locating the new Library on school district property.

The Board entered Executive Session at 10:08 a.m. on a motion by Marcie Cochran and seconded by Bob Richardson and voted on unanimously by the Board.

- A. Discussion centered on the Bilateral agreement between the Library and the School District.
- B. Potential land site for the new library in another location.

The Board left Executive Session at 11:02 a.m.

#### Action Items

- A. On a motion by Bob Richardson and seconded by Marcie Cochran, and there being no further discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes for the September 15, 2021.
- B. On a motion by Marcie Cochran and seconded by Bob Richardson, and there being no further discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the financial reports for September 15, 2021.
- C. On a motion by Melva Codina and seconded by Marcie Cochran, and there being no further discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Public Funds Investment Act Third Quarter Report.
- D. DSCL participation in Texas Adopt A Highway - No action
- E. On a motion by Marcie Cochran and seconded by Bob Richardson, and there being no further discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Camping Policy.
- F. The DSCL Tax-Exempt Status and Potential Grant Agreement – No action
- G. TIRZ Board Update – No action
- H. Issues related to library planning – No action
- I. Issues regarding potential land sites – No action

On a motion by Bob Richardson and seconded by Melva Codina, and there being no further business, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Melva Codina*

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Board Secretary