Minutes of Special Meeting  
August 26, 2019

Call to Order/Roll Call
President Earl Thompson called the special meeting of the Galena Public Library District Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 PM at Prairie Ridge. Also present were Gloria Junge, Dianne Allendorf, Craig Albaugh, Maria Rector, Alice McMahon, and Library Director Nita Burke. Ginni Yarbrough was excused.

Citizen Comments
Steve Repp from the library staff and Hillary Dickerson from the Galena Gazette were present.
Steve commented that he had concerns regarding the agenda item for the security system from Globalcom. He did not want to feel like he was being watched all the time if cameras were being considered for the Historical Room. He also stated that, regarding the director’s resignation, he felt Nita had done a good job and hated to see her leave.

Security System Upgrade
The board addressed Mr. Repp’s concerns by stating that it is common today that all public buildings have cameras in all areas to address security. With the Children’s Library downstairs with access from the back door and with the valuable and irreplaceable materials in the Historical Room as well as general security throughout the library the need for advanced security is necessary.
Globalcom is suggesting that we add 3 2MP indoor dome cameras, one each outside the director’s office, the Historical Room, and the Children’s Room. There is no need to replace the recorder. The cost for the materials, labor, testing, and training the staff would be $2080.00. The recorder is currently behind the circulation desk and should be moved to a secure location.
Gloria moved to accept the Globalcom bid. Alice seconded the motion which carried.
If Earl gets back to them early this week the system could be installed as early as next week.

Closed Session
Craig moved to enter closed session at 6:15 PM for discussion and possible action regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body. Dianne seconded the motion which carried.

The board returned to regular session at 7:05 PM.
Following the closed session, Craig moved to accept the resignation of Director Nita Burke effective Friday, August 30, 2019, and to provide severance pay for the remainder of the current pay period and one additional pay period and to provide insurance coverage through September , 2019 if she so chooses. Gloria seconded the motion which carried.
Gloria moved to seek and interim director for appointment. Dianne seconded the motion which carried.
The board thanked Nita for her time at the library and expressed their regret that she was leaving.
Craig moved and Maria seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Allendorf
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Secretary

The next regular meeting will be held on September 9, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the library.