

ESTHERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
Thursday, August 26, 2021

This meeting was held online via Zoom.

*The link and phone access to the meeting were offered to the public on the agenda,
which was posted on our front door and on our website.*

The Estherville Public Library Board met in special session at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 26th, 2021. President Lili Jensen called the meeting to order. Other board members present were Kathy Knudson (Zoom), Linda Wiegman (Zoom), Molly Struve (Zoom), Stephanie Franzen Nelson (Zoom), Alan Morpew (Zoom), and Joe Gregori (Zoom). Also present was EPL Director Tena Sunde (in person).

AGENDA: Kathy Knudson made a motion for approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Linda Wiegman. No further discussion.

Roll Call Vote (yes or no):

Lili Y Kathy Y Linda Y Pablo Molly Y Stephanie Y Alan Y Joe Y Mark

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. COVID-19-related considerations (CDC masking information). Sunde shared the current CDC numbers for Emmet County (currently at 11.83%). Masking is currently listed as “recommended, not required.” She also presented a draft update to the phased plan that included a part “d” regarding mask guidelines from August 26th forward. Alan Morpew made a motion that we return to requiring masks, which was seconded by Joe Gregori. Sunde asked for clarification of the board’s intent regarding enforcement of the newly reinstated mask requirement, and those present agreed that hosting the entry would not take precedent over keeping the Children’s Department open at this time. This will be addressed at each monthly Board Meeting. No further discussion.

Roll Call Vote (yes or no):

Lili Y Kathy Y Linda Y Pablo Molly Y Stephanie Y Alan Y Joe Y Mark

UPCOMING BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Molly Struve made a motion to adjourn at 5:59 PM, which Kathy Knudson seconded. No further discussion.

Roll Call Vote (yes or no):

Lili Y Kathy Y Linda Y Pablo Molly Y Stephanie Y Alan Y Joe Y Mark

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 5:30 PM via Zoom or in-person.

Respectfully submitted, Stephanie Franzen Nelson, Co-Secretary