

**FARMERSVILLE LIBRARY / CIVIC CENTER BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

April 24, 2014 at 4:30 P.M.

The Farmersville Library/Civic Center Board met in regular session on April 24, 2014 at 4:30 pm with the following members preset: Judy Brandon, Sarah Odom, Rafiq Huddleston and Leaca Caspari. Members absent: Sharon Spangler. Staff Members present: Trisha Dowell.

Item I) CALL MEETING TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:37 p.m. by Judy Brandon. A quorum was present.

Item II) RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS

There were no visitors.

Item III – A) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 23, 2014

Leaca Caspari made a motion to approve the library board minutes and Judy Brandon seconded, motion carried with all in favor.

ITEM III – B) SIGN A THANK YOU CARD FOR FARMERSVILLE CENTENNIAL, INC.

Judy Brandon purchased a Thank You card to send to Farmersville Centennial and composed a thank you note to include inside. All members of the board are to sign the card and Judy will mail it to Charlie Whitaker, the Chair of Farmersville Centennial, Inc.

ITEM III – C) LIBRARY REPORT

Trisha Dowell read off the monthly reports for January, February and March 2014.

The library's winter "Food for Fines" program continued on through January and February, which resulted in a total of 170 items donated to the Farmersville Food Pantry and forgave approx. \$149 in overdue library fines.

During February's "Love your Library" event the library received 104 valentines, and 3 prizes were given away.

The annual report for the library has been submitted to the Texas State Library.

The library and civic center have new front door entries, courtesy of Farmersville Centennial, Inc.

Circulation and usage numbers overall are in line showing a steady increase in library usage.

ITEM III – D) CIVIC CENTER REPORT

The board was given a report which showed an estimate of Civic Organizations and Paid Renters as well as Revenue and Expenditures as of October 1, 2013. The Civic Center as of this fiscal year is in a deficit of \$2,069.69. There was some discussion about the deficit, the causes and the reasons behind it. In answer to a question about Civic Organizations that was brought up at the previous board meeting; Civic Organizations that are not usually charged rental are designated by a list maintained at City Hall. If an organization wants to get on the list they would need to contact City Hall.

ITEM IV) DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

An idea was brought up by Judy about the library having a "Free Little Library" located somewhere around town. The concept is simple, it is usually some type of weather resistant "house" for a shelf or two of books located outside in a public place where people are free to take a book and/or

leave a book. The ideal location would be at the Gazebo on the Square. The first step would be getting City approval for the location of the small structure and the board will make plans for funding, construction and maintaining the little library.

ITEM V) ADJOURNMENT

Leaca Caspari made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sarah Odom seconded, motion carried. The Library/Civic Center Board adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Chair

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