President Barney Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. Also present were Linda Fahrenbach, Judy Johnson, Jason Lester, Fern Miner, Director Christine Sterle, Treasurer Barbara Darnell, and board assistant Kathy Bowen.

Linda moved to approve the agenda with a second by Judy. Vote 5-0

Jason moved to approve the June Secretary’s report with additional claims presented by Barbara Darnell. Linda seconded. Vote 5-0

Barbara presented the Monthly Financial Report. Receipts into the operating fund for June, 2019 were $275,302.69. Operating fund disbursements totaled $45,333.55. June’s ending cash balance was $799,401.63 with investments of $273,921.76. Total Cash/Investments were $1,073,323.39.

The Quarterly Financial Report was presented.

Linda moved to approve the Register of Claims with a second by Judy. Vote 5-0

Christine presented the PLAC report. There were 0 PLAC cards sold.

With no public present the board proceeded to Reports.

Thorntown Heritage Museum – The next museum program will be the Cemetery Fence/Sign dedication & Ice Cream Social on August 10.

Old Business:

Strategic Planning – The KBA (Kimberly Bolan & Associates, LLC) proposal was presented. Christine went over the various options. After discussion it was decided to go with the time and material option. Jason moved to move forward with KBA with a second by Linda. Vote 5-0. Christine will schedule KBA to get started.

Board Vacancy – We are still waiting to hear back from a potential board member.

New Business:

Microfilm Reader – The Konica Minolta machine will no longer print due to a bad sensor and KM no longer services the product. The machine was originally purchased in 2004 for approximately $10,000. Christine presented three options for discussion. On Wednesday Brett from BP Imaging will bring a ST Viewscan 4 - 9 MP for us to test drive.

2020 Budget – Christine presented a proposed 2020 budget for discussion – Operating budget $727,522 and Rainy Day $100,000. Our Budget appointment is July 17 at 10:15 a.m. There is time to change things around if desired. Proposed increases to overall budget (RD and operating) fall below 3.5% AVGQ so are not subject to binding review.

Director’s Report:

Summer Reading – 282 youth signed up to read! Programs have been successful with positive feedback. One kid had a fit when she found out mom neglected to bring her to the
Party in the Park! This is the final week for youth; teen and adult summer reading continues through August 3.

HEA 1343 Update – Christine updated the board House Enrolled Act 1343. This law may have an impact on library budgeting in the future, but 2020 budget will be business as usual.

Fountain – We will finish out the season with the current plumber, then begin with a new plumber for the 2020 season. A timer and Little Giant pump have been installed. The stolen/lost cattail has been replaced free of charge by Robinson Iron and will be installed next time the fountain is drained and cleaned.

The chiller in youth department stopped chilling; Grace Refrigeration will take a look to see if it can be repaired.

Security Cameras – Marty from ESG Security was here June 26 to look at cameras and make recommendations for replacement. The ones likely to need replaced first are at entrances.

Library card minimum age – After a question regarding our policy on minimum age requirements it was open for discussion. We do not have an official “policy” but have, in the past, used “must be able to sign name” guideline. After discussion it was decided that as long as a parent is the responsible party the parent can decide on the appropriate age for their child to get a card.

Hotspots – Hotspots should be ready to circulate by the end of the week.

Fern motioned to adjourn the July board meeting with a second by Judy at 7:35 p.m. Vote 5-0.

Linda Fahrenbach, Secretary