# **Call to Order**

Vice-President Patt Hopkins called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. at the Atlanta Branch of the Montmorency County Public Library.

Board Members Present (in alphabetical order): Patt Hopkin, Donna Robillard, Robin Smiley and Pat West

Board Members Absent (in alphabetical order): Betty Comoford

County Commissioner: none

Staff Members Present: Lori Haas —Director,

Others present: none

# **Approval of Agenda**

**Donna Robillard made the motion accept the agenda as written, Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

# **Approval of Bills**

**Donna Robillard made the motion to accept the bills as presented, Patt Hopkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

# **Minutes to Meeting**

**Robin Smiley made the motion to accept the minutes from February 13, 2018, Pat West seconded. Donna Robillard abstained due to absence. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Public Comment**

none

**Old Business**

none

**New Business**

Internet Service contract for the Lewiston Branch was discussed, with the Universal Service Fund reimbursement of 80%, the contract must be posted for bids on the Internet. The Director did this and the only bid was from Frontier, they are the only option we have no one else provides fiber to Lewiston. Frontier provided three different quotes for one, two and three years, with installation charges. (See attachments) We have had some rather sever problems with Frontier's internet in the past, but they reassured the Director that those problems don't exist with fiber. They also gave Lori some references, which she checked, They had good things to say. Sklarczyk Seed Farm is one we are rather anxious to hear from. Donna is familiar with this family and will call and ask for their opinion.

**Donna Robillard made the motion to go with the one year contract with Frontier contingent on the a good review from Sklarczyk Seed Farm. Pat West seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Directors Report**

The contract for the internet in Atlanta is with MERIT and to renew is $3246 annual access fee, with annual contracted band width. The UFS pays 80%.

**Patt Hopkins made the motion to sign the contract with MERIT for $3246 for 200mbps internet connection for the Atlanta Branch. Donna Robillard seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

The internet in Hillman is $63.99 from ALLBAND with no contract necessary, again the USF pays 80% of these costs.

Voices and Visions is May 8 at the Eagles Club from 6-7:30, more information will follow. But all Board members are welcome to help that day. There will be a new judge this year, Jerry Bowser, former art teacher.

We haven't heard back from Brush Creek Mill on the grants for the summer reading program.

The Director comes back from vacation the day before the April meeting, she requested we change the meeting.

**Patt Hopkins made the motion to move the April meeting to April 17, 2018 at 1pm at the Atlanta Library. Pat West seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

The Librarians reports:

Andrea from Atlanta reports: Lori has started working on Voices and Visions which will be the 13th annual year. It will be on Tuesday May 8th from 6-7:30pm. Over 1,142 items were cataloged in 2017. We have still been quite busy with Mondays being the busiest for computer use. 29 patrons signed up yesterday. This is the last week for our adult "Libraries Rock" read a book a week program. Patrons like the t-shirt design and many have asked if they are for sale. One of our patrons donated a Star Wars Activity Tower. We are going to use it for March is Reading Month drawing. The students from Atlanta Community Schools that stop i for a visit will be entered in the drawing. " May the Force Be With You" is the theme this year.

Wendy from Lewiston reports: Good Afternoon Ladies. My request came through from the "Friends"! We will be getting 2 new chairs for the front and all new task chairs for the table in nonfiction room. It is going to look really nice with all the improvements we have made. Superhero Scavenger Hunt has been going really great! The kids have really enjoyed the theme this year. At the end of the month we will draw a name to win a kindle fire 7 that was donated by the Lewiston PTO. Wendy Burden will be attending the wrap up party for the drawing. Other than that we are doing well here in Lewiston. Looking forward to spring and then hopefully getting a face lift with the building outside. I will keep you all posted on the progress. Tom came and fixed us up from the updates that went through. We are up and running and he fixed the two computers that were down, with one that can't be fixed.

Tina from Hillman reports: Well we enjoyed the short spring like weather and now it's back to winter! AARP tax prep has started and they are doing taxes for approximately 14 people twice a week. Everyone is very happy that they are back at the Library this year. Bill Grove has put up the new shelving behind the circulation desk for DVDs. The construction company came back and fixed a small section of gutter that was coming down. They came the first Saturday after Lori contacted them. (very impressive) Sally and I are continuing our school and story hour programs. We are just plugging away with daily tasks and waiting patiently for spring! Have a great day!

# **Next Meeting Scheduled**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 2018, at Atlanta Branch, 1pm

**Adjournment**

**Motion made by Robin Smiley to adjourn, at 2pm. Patt Hopkins seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Smiley

accepted May 8, 2018