

February 13, 1961

The regular meeting of the Library Board was held at 8 p.m. in the basement of the Library. Those present were Mary Frances Gilbert, Les Jensen, Nell Stadelman, Harry Hogan, Dr. Robert Rice, Bea Dick, Mayor Jack Howe, and City Manager Dean Smith.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mayor Howe told us of the availability of the old Dalles General Hospital for a library ~~to be~~ as a gift from the county. Mr. Stewart, a library architect, can be engaged to make a survey to see if it is adaptable for use as a library. He will also analyze the present library at the same time. The cost to hire him will be \$350. Dr. Rice moved that we use part of our budgeted survey money and engage Mr. Stewart's firm. The motion was seconded and passed. Mayor Howe also pointed out that Court Street School also belongs to the city, and that in 10 years the School District's lease will expire. That property can then be considered for a City Hall, Library, or both.

It was decided that the budget should be on the agenda for the March meeting, so that it can be turned in to the City Manager during the month. It was also decided that we should have an extra meeting in two weeks to work on the budget.

New equipment and repairs were considered, and it was voted upon and passed that we should purchase a new library magazine rack for \$461.25, and two new tables at \$110.80 each. It was also voted upon to remove the platform in the County School room. We need to get an estimate for paint for the upstairs. It was decided to call for bids.

A motion to buy a new Collier's Encyclopedia was voted upon and passed.

The meeting day and time was discussed, and it was decided that the second Monday of each month at 8 p.m. was best for everybody.

The bills were passed and signed.

The report for January was read by Mary Frances.

Mary Frances called to our attention that National Library Week will be April 16-22., and that we will need a Chairman. Several names were suggested, and Bea Dick was authorized to call Irma Matthew to see if she would accept the chairmanship. It will be a week free of fines, and there ~~will~~ will be book displays at various stores, banks, etc.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Bea Dick, Secretary