

Carthage Public Library District
Special Board & Public Informational Meeting
Thursday, February 11, 2021, 4:00 pm
Fortress Bank, 433 Main St. Carthage, IL & via Zoom

Attending in person were Board members John Dittmer, J.R. Parn, Andy Bastert, Angie Perry, and Sherry Wright and Library Director Amy Gee. Trustees Donna Tracy and Rebecca Eagan were absent.

Members of the public in attendance via Zoom: Karen Garnett, Ruth Royalty, Joy Swearingen, Panda Turner, and Leah Zanolla. Howard Perry attended in person.

President John Dittmer called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

The Library Director and Board members gave a Power Point presentation about the Library's proposed building project and funding, including the Public Library Construction Act Grant, fundraising efforts and the bond proposal which will be on the April 6 ballot.

Following the presentation members of the public had an opportunity to make comments and ask questions. Participants seemed to be in favor of the project, and mentioned the programming space, and extra parking near the ball fields. One concern was the need for sidewalks between the schools and the new site.

The Zoom meeting ended at 4:27.

The Board continued to discuss the sidewalk situation. We will need to see what sidewalks exist along various routes from the school and then work with the city to see if it is possible to put in additional sidewalks.

We also discussed how to spread the word about the next two meetings to be sure the community is informed about our project. Amy will see if County Market would be willing to put flyers in the grocery bags.

Discussion concluded at 4:50 pm.

Amy Gee, Library Director