

# *Village of Climax*

Special Meeting

June 14, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:30p

**Present:** Joline Chaney, Carolyn Kelly, Denise Kenney, Nick Ludwig, David Miller, Janet Sutherland, Jim Cummings-President, Linda Coburn – Clerk   **Absent:** Brenda Borden – Treasurer   **Guests:** Anthony Bates, Bill Lewis, Patrick Harvey

## **Meeting to discuss the proposed District Library Agreement 2022 and potentially vote on above stated Agreement.**

Bill Lewis - explained the biggest challenge for the library as it is set up now is receiving/applying for state aid. Explained current financial situation and stated that becoming a district library gives this library a chance to continue with a more stable foundation financially. Reiterated savings areas for the village in the future including insurance, operating, heating/cooling. He also emphasized that their deadline is August 16 but preferably sooner in order to receive taxes in April 2023 that are collected in December 2022.

Anthony Bates – stated that there could not be any changes to this contract. It is all necessary and the other two parties who have to approve it have not expressed any issues/concerns.

Much discussion followed with several council members expressing that there is no issue with the attempt to become a district library. The concern is over several points within the contract. It was stated that the village attorney was contact and advised the council it was not in their best interest to sign the proposed agreement.

Patrick Harvey – President of Prairie Historical Society is concerned that PHS inventory is not specifically addressed. He has never known a contract that cannot be changed by mutual agreement.

More discussion followed regarding concern over ambiguity in the interpretation of the contract.

Action decided on was for Jim to inform Bill that we need to have some changes made. If the library board is agreeable then we will get them a list of the changes within a reasonable amount of time.

**(Sutherland/Ludwig)** Motion to adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Linda Coburn - Clerk