

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF LAKE JACKSON

BE IT KNOWN that the Library Board of the City of Lake Jackson met in regular session on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. at the Lake Jackson Library with the following present:

Mary-Ellen Thomas, Chair

Wendi Stewart, Secretary

Mary Meyers

Carol Bohley

Cindy Yell, Branch Librarian

Thomas West, Brazoria County Library

Modesto Mundo, Assistant City Manager

Dixie Roberts, Asst. City Secretary

Heather Melass, City Council Liaison

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved as presented.

#### VISITORS

There were no visitors.

#### REPORTS AND UPDATES

CINDY YELL, BRANCH LIBRARIAN - Lake Jackson Programs

Ms. Yell reported that the holiday open house went very well; and they hope to do it again next year. The library painting is now complete. Library staff wanted to thank the board for the Christmas cards they received. The LJ branch is currently looking to fill the Children's Specialists position. There were approximately 75 people in attendance for the speaker John Huffmeister who spoke on his book *Why We Hate Oil Companies*. This topic generated much conversation amongst those in attendance. Lake Jackson staff members recently provided e-reader training for branches throughout the county. The Lake Jackson Friends of the Library hosted an author dinner recently featuring American author Ron Rozelle who spoke to a crowded audience. There will be volunteers at the local branches who help with tax preparations for those who need assistance. The Library will be closed March 1, 2013 for Texas Independence Day and again on April 6<sup>th</sup> for the city's 70<sup>th</sup> celebration festivities. National Library Week is April 14-20, 2013. Early voting will be held in the meeting room April 29<sup>th</sup> through May 7<sup>th</sup>.

TOM WEST, BRAZORIA COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Mr. West stated that he is filling in this evening for Ms. Threadgil. He reported that the semiannual used book sale generated \$2,559.20. The store front library in Pearland west side will be complete hopefully within 90 days and open sometime in May. Ms. Threadgil is working on the library's annual report. The Little Library project will not be done at this time; it may be reviewed again at some point in the future. Author Lisa Scottoline will be the author for the evening on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Scottoline is a New York Times best selling American author of legal thrillers. August 13<sup>th</sup> Mickey Gilley is scheduled to come and discuss his book *Unconquered The Saga of Cousins Jerry Lee Lewis, Jimmy Swaggart, and Mickey Gilley*. The location has yet to be decided. The State Legislature is in session. Everyone is encouraged to contact their state representatives to push the restoration of the library budget. The state library budget took a 64% cut last session.

MODESTO MUNDO, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

Mr. Mundo reported that budget sessions will begin very soon and asked that budget items be turned into city staff.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Ms. Meyers reported that the local theatre and symphony will be celebrating 100 combined years of theatre and music in Brazosport. March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> a joint production of Brazosport Center Stages and the Brazosport Symphony Orchestra will host *Broadway in Brazosport*.

Council member Melass reported that Brazoria County Day will be held in Austin on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday May 21, 2013 at 5:15 p.m.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

These minutes read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Chairperson

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Secretary