

# Directors Report

June 2023



**Staffing Situation** Tami Brown has submitted her resignation effective the end of August this year. She had previously thought she might stay to end of the calendar year, I wasn't terribly surprised that she moved it up though, fun with grands is hard to argue with. With that in mind we are looking to promote one staff member into her position and then hire a new staff member into that open position. We hope to select the internal candidate for promotion in early July and have them begin training in the new position with Tami during August. As soon as practical we will advertise the vacancy this will create. In the end we hope to stay as fully staffed as currently authorized.

**Annual Budget** The budget was approved by City Council with additional budget reductions expected to meet the full shortfall requirement. I have been asked to be prepared with additional reductions for August 14<sup>th</sup>. I am hoping to avoid any further staff impacts.

**Renovation Project** No additional information is available at this time, I expect to have some details for our July meeting.

**Summer Reading Program (SRP)** is off to a great start! On our first day, June 20, 374 individuals entered the library, more than double the previous Monday. Also on that day 15 new cards were registered, by comparison a really good day is 6 registrations. This is of course preceded by a great deal of work on the part of staff to plan, prepare, encourage and now to execute our plans. One effort is working with the school district to go to all 6 elementary schools to entice and encourage the youth of our community to spend part of their summer reading. I and our Teen programmer, Leslie, visit with K-5 grades. Our display cabinets hold the traveling trophy, provided by the Friends of the Library, and some of the prize's readers can win this summer. Are you signed up?