

KRLL Script for 8/4/2017

Hi! This is Connie Gerling from the **Wood Place Library!**

I want to congratulate the residents of Tipton for passing a .24 cent tax levy on August 8th to support the operation of the Price James Library.

This vote creates a municipal library district in the city limits of Tipton and gives the city control of tax revenue as collected for operation of the Price James Library.

Control of tax revenue, collected by the Moniteau County Library District was the reason the city of Tipton filed a lawsuit in October 2015. They refused to sign a contract with the library board to provide library services for the city of Tipton; and the library board could not legally pay them tax revenue without an annual contract.

In February 2017, after much deliberation and agreement of the Moniteau County Library Board and the Tipton Aldermen, the Judge ruled to dissolve the Moniteau County library district due to being improperly created in 1997. This ruling ended the tax support for library services in both areas of the county. The Judge encouraged both libraries to pursue their own levies to support library services.

Now it's time to pursue a levy to support library services for the rest of the county residents. Moniteau County citizens are gathering names on Petitions to place a .12 cent levy on the ballot on November 7th to support county-wide library services. A successful levy campaign will create a new Moniteau County Library District and a county library that will provide services to all areas of the county that are not in an existing municipal library district. In the near future, I will share with you what kind of services and how they will be provided to your community.

This is Connie Gerling from the **Wood Place Library**

Join me every Friday afternoon @ 3:45 and on Saturday mornings, right here on KRLL 1420 a.m. where you'll be informed about what's going on at your library.

And remember....People need libraries.....libraries need you!