

Canton Public Library (CPL)
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting
Official Public Records Minutes
Tuesday, May 14, 2024
6:00 PM

Members (Present):

Kate Bevans, **Stephanie Chancellor**, **Phyllis Dean**, Heather Feldkamp, **Katie Marney**, Karla McReynolds, Patti Meldrum, **Esa Seegulam**, **Beth Weaver**, and **Mary Kay Lane**.

Call to order:

Seegulam called the meeting to order.

Public Comment:

None.

Approval of May Agenda and April Minutes:

Chancellor moved to approve the April minutes and agenda; seconded by Marney. Approved.

Approval of April Financial Report:

Chancellor moved to approve the financial report. Dean seconded. Approved.

Director's Report:

- Refunded \$1102.86 by county clerk for election costs.
Originally paid \$4839.95.
Cost to put initiative on the ballot
= \$4839.95 - \$1102.86
= \$3737.09

- Board room rehab complete; being furnished

- Received cash donation from Elmer Moore and sister Patti to help fund board room furniture

- Discussion about potential donation of 10 year old used projector and whiteboard; decision to graciously decline.

- Discussion about significant difficulty in getting voter-approved tax increase on the books

As directed by the county clerk, Shannon Sapp, copies of the following were submitted to the city clerk on May 2, 2024:

- Sample Ballot for April election
- Results of April election
- Certification of election results signed with seal by Shannon Sapp

- Signed Library Board resolution

City Clerk directed that an ordinance is also necessary and that the entire packet above PLUS ordinance must be submitted to the city clerk AND the *county* clerk.

No one has been able to answer the question as to what the ordinance is or what it should say.

Resubmitted with the following City of Canton ordinance:

Chapter 135. Boards and Commissions

Article I. Library Board

Section 135.100. Rules and Regulations.

[CC 1985 §27.100]

The Library Board shall make and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for their own guidance, and for the Government of the library, as may be expedient, and not inconsistent with State law.

And the applicable state statute that allows us to put the tax levy increase on the ballot is referenced in the Board Resolution... 182.140(5).

Upon resubmission with ordinance to the city clerk and now also to the county clerk, the county clerk declared that it should also be submitted to the Department of Revenue and offered to make some calls to ascertain where exactly it should be submitted.

Friends Report:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- Board Terms and Officers

Discussion of terms of board members ending. Seegulam's third consecutive term expires in June; a new board member will be needed.

Dean moved to approve the Surplus Property Disposal Policy; seconded by Chancellor.
Approved.

Discussion about the "Public Library Standards Checklist - Facilities" - a self-scoring inventory of facilities. Suggestion for board members to complete at some point in the future for further discussion.

Adjournment:

Marney moved to adjourn the meeting. Dean seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting will be on Wednesday June 12, 2024 at 6:00pm (changed from Tuesday to accommodate Summer Reading).

Respectfully submitted,
M. Esa Seegulam
Secretary