

Approved Minutes of the  
Chesterfield Township Library  
Regular Board Meeting  
July 21, 2021

Library Board President, Murney Bell, called the meeting to order at the Chesterfield Township Library, located at 50560 Patricia Avenue, Chesterfield Township, MI at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Murney Bell, Annette Goike, Stephen Bawks, Heather Morrison, Troy Cunningham, Megan Rock

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Elizabeth Madson, Library Director; David Joseph, Chesterfield Township Liaison

**ABSENT:**

None

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion by Trustee Morrison to approve the meeting agenda. Support by Trustee Cunningham.

AYES: All

**APPROVED**

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

The Consent Agenda contained minutes for the June 16, 2021 meeting, Cash Flow Summary for May 2021, Expense Report for June 2021, YTD Budget Report for June 2021, Director's Report, Statistical Report for June 2021, and letters requesting American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds: Michigan Department of Treasury estimate of \$4,885,928 distributed to Chesterfield Township. Motion by Trustee Goike to approve the Consent Agenda, with support by Trustee Cunningham.

AYES: All

**APPROVED**

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

Action Item 6A - "Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS)" - Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Goike to approve the increase in the library's continued minimum required contribution to the MERS Defined Benefit Plan in order to maintain the required funded ratio. This continued, gradual approach is cost effective given the market is at record highs.

AYES: All

**APPROVED**

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

Action Item 6B - "2022 Holiday Closures" - Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Cunningham to approve the 2022 Holiday Closures.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVED

Action Item 6C - "August 4, 2021 Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees" - Motion by Trustee Goike with support by Trustee Morrison to schedule a meeting of the Library Board of Trustees on Wednesday, August 4 at 6:30 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVED

Closed Session: Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Bawks to enter into Closed Session at 6:45 p.m. in accordance with the Open Meetings Act 267 of 1976 for the purpose of discussing personnel.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Murney Bell: Aye

Annette Goike: Aye

Heather Morrison: Aye

Stephen Bawks: Aye

Troy Cunningham: Aye

Megan Rock: Aye

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVED

Motion by Trustee Goike with support by Trustee Cunningham to exit Closed Session at 6:50 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Murney Bell: Aye

Annette Goike: Aye

Heather Morrison: Aye

Stephen Bawks: Aye

Troy Cunningham: Aye

Megan Rock: Aye

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVED

Motion by Trustee Goike with support by Trustee Cunningham to enter Open Session at 6:51 p.m.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Murney Bell: Aye

Annette Goike: Aye

Heather Morrison: Aye

Stephen Bawks: Aye

APPROVED

Troy Cunningham: Aye

Megan Rock: Aye

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

Action Item 6D - "Personnel" - Motion by Trustee Goike with support by Trustee Cunningham to extend the library director's contract.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Chesterfield Township Trustee David Joseph spoke to watching the debate on social media especially on the millage, the library board should take pride in the way you are deliberating and looking at local issues associated with the construction and then you shaped the millage to reflect an operating budget and a building that is paid in full through the millage, and it was a very careful consideration and a lot of work, and I think you should feel very proud of the work that you have done to bring this forward. And, also to say, don't be discouraged. Social media is a difficult place. It's tough to see your work on social media with the negative comments. Don't be discouraged. You did a lot of great work, thinking this through very carefully. I just want to say a personal thank you for your commitment to the library, you are citizens on the board. Very impressive. I appreciate it and say thank you.

**Adjournment:**

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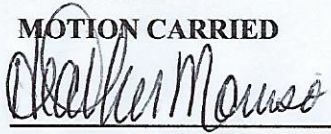
Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Rock to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVED**



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Heather Morrison, Secretary