

Approved Minutes of the
Chesterfield Township Library
Regular Board Meeting
February 17, 2021

Library Board Secretary, Heather Morrison, called the meeting to order remotely via WebEx for the Chesterfield Twp. Library, located at 50560 Patricia Avenue, Chesterfield Township, MI at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Heather Morrison attending from Chesterfield Township, Macomb County, Michigan
Stephen Bawks attending from Chesterfield Township, Macomb County, Michigan
Troy Cunningham attending from Chesterfield Township, Macomb County, Michigan
Megan Rock attending from Chesterfield Township, Macomb County, Michigan
Annette Goike attending from Chesterfield Township, Macomb County, Michigan (Late)

ALSO PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Murney Bell

Approval of Agenda:

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

Heather Morrison: Aye

Stephen Bawks: Aye

Troy Cunningham: Aye

Megan Rock: Aye

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Approval of Consent Agenda:

The Consent Agenda contained minutes for the January 20, 2021 meeting, Cash Flow Summary for October 2020, November 2020, and December 2020, Expense Report for January 2021, YTD Budget Report for January 2021, Director's Report, Statistical Report for January 2021, and Continental Interiors, Inc. quote for carpet replacement. Motion by Trustee Bawks to approve the Consent Agenda, with support by Trustee Cunningham.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Heather Morrison: Aye

Stephen Bawks: Aye

Troy Cunningham: Aye

Megan Rock: Aye

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Action Item 6A - "Library By Mail Policy" - Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Cunningham to approve the policy as submitted.

ROLL CALL VOTE

APPROVED

Annette Goike: Aye
Stephen Bawks: Aye
Troy Cunningham: Aye
Heather Morrison: Aye
Megan Rock: Aye
NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Action Item 6B - "Personnel" - Motion by Trustee Cunningham with support by Trustee Morrison to approve the payment of regularly scheduled wages through March 31, 2021 during the COVID-19 MDHHS Epidemic Orders.

ROLL CALL VOTE

APPROVED

Annette Goike: Aye
Stephen Bawks: Aye
Troy Cunningham: Aye
Heather Morrison: Aye
Megan Rock: Aye
NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Action Item 6C - "Millage Proposal to Fund the New Public Library" - Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Bawks to approve a proposed millage to fund the new public library. Amount still to be determined.

ROLL CALL VOTE

APPROVED

Annette Goike: Aye
Stephen Bawks: Aye
Troy Cunningham: Aye
Heather Morrison: Aye
Megan Rock: Aye
NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Action Item 6D - "Choosing Election Date for Proposal Levying an Extra Millage to Fund the New Public Library" - Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Cunningham to approve placing the millage request for the construction and operation of the new public library on the August 03, 2021 ballot.

ROLL CALL VOTE

APPROVED

Annette Goike: Aye

Stephen Bawks: Aye
Troy Cunningham: Aye
Heather Morrison: Aye
Megan Rock: Aye
NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Action Item 6E - "Board Orientation" - Information was shared with Board trustees regarding attorney Anne Seuryneck's "Ten Critical Issues that Every Michigan Library Trustee Must Know", amendments to the Library Privacy Act, and the importance of penal fines and how they fund public library service.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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David Joseph, Township Liaison, commented that he liked the fact that there was consultation and deliberation regarding the term "proper election" and that the Board was responding in an above board and really transparent way, and inquired if the Board had any objections to him sharing information about the millage question with the Township board and community, and that he sees his role as an advocate for the library. The library strives to be as transparent as possible throughout this process and details are available on the library's website. Joseph also asked if the projected cost of the millage would just pay for the construction. The millage is for the construction and operation of the new public library. Joseph asked when the Library by Mail program would begin and how much the service would cost. The program will begin March 1st with an initial budget of \$1,000. Joseph asked if a patron could ever be charged a fee for an item that would be more than the cost of the item. The library eliminated overdue fines so there are no late fees. If a patron lost an item, the replacement cost would be charged to the patron, and some items have a \$5 processing fee for case replacement, jacket covers, and labeling. Joseph commented that Chesterfield Township is a growing community and when developers come in they look at what drives up value in the community, and if you don't have a bookstore, if you don't have a public library you're saying something to retailers, to businesses that might come into your community. Joseph commented that he thought it was a great decision by the board tonight.

Adjournment:

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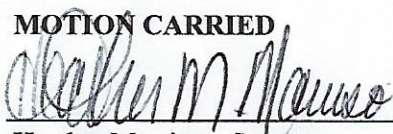
Motion by Trustee Morrison with support by Trustee Cunningham to adjourn at 7:43 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE

APPROVED

Annette Goike: Aye
Stephen Bawks: Aye
Troy Cunningham: Aye
Heather Morrison: Aye
Megan Rock: Aye
NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED



Heather Morrison, Secretary