

Meeting Minutes

Valley City Barnes County Public Library Board

Date: April 18, 2024

Attending: Hilde van Gijssel, Kelsey Ihry,
Deedra Froemke, Vicky Lovell,
Annie Beauchman, Anita Tulp (Director)
Absent: Dewey Magnuson
Guest: Kerry Peuser, MJB Architects (via Zoom)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Hilde van Gijssel at 5:32pm.

Additions to the Agenda

None.

Minutes

The minutes from the March 14, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Deedra Froemke motioned to approve; Annie Beauchman second. Motion carried.

Financial Report

Director Anita Tulp went over the report that was emailed previously. Deedra Froemke motioned to approve the financials as presented; Kelsey Ihry second. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Hilde van Gijssel: Y Deedra Froemke: Y
Kelsey Ihry: Y Vicky Lovell:
Annie Beauchman: Y

Director's Report

An electronic version was sent out previously. Director Anita Tulp went over a few items on the report. A new library assistant has been hired and we have another new staff member coming on through the NICOA program. Melissa and Anita assessed the Dutton's space and talked with our insurance company to make sure everything is covered. WDAY and Valley News Live both aired a story on the library.

Committee Reports

Foundation Meeting report—The Library Foundation Board met on Monday, April 1, via Zoom. Annie Beauchman gave an update and raffle tickets will be available soon. The next VCBC Foundation meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 6, at 7pm at the library.

Old Business

Roof update—Kerry Peuser went over the bid documents. Vicky Lovell motioned to approve the replacement of the roof for the bid of \$104128.27; Kelsey Ihry second. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Hilde van Gijssel: Y Deedra Froemke: Y

Kelsey Ihry: Y Vicky Lovell: Y
Annie Beauchman: Y

Kelsey Ihry motioned to approve the rotunda replacement and roof reinforcement;
Annie Beauchman second. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Hilde van Gijssel: Y Deedra Froemke: N
 Kelsey Ihry: Y Vicky Lovell: N
 Annie Beauchman: Y

Annie Beauchman motioned to hire mechanical engineer to apply for ND Dept of Commerce
Energy Grant at up to \$1000; Kelsey second. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Hilde van Gijssel: Y Deedra Froemke: Y
 Kelsey Ihry: Y Vicky Lovell: Y
 Annie Beauchman: Y

Kerry Peuser will issue a notice of award to prevailing bids and begin the process of sending out
the contracts.

Board Member Rotation— Hilde van Gijssel proposed to adjust terms to create more stability
within the board. Hilde van Gijssel will extend her term for one year, Kelsey Ihry will extend for
one year, and Deedra will vacate her term in July of this year. Kelsey Ihry motioned to approve
the rotation; Vicky Lovell second. Motion carried.

Review Bylaws—second reading. Kelsey Ihry motioned to approve the change; Annie
Beauchman second. Motion carried.

Anita went over the proposal for the public spaces project. Vicky Lovell motioned to table the
item until the end of the year; Deedra Froemke second. Motion carried.

Tabled for the next meeting - Audit Proposal

New Business

Request to close the library for one day to accomplish moving part of the collection to storage,
arranging a temporary circulation desk, and moving the fiction into the addition. Tentatively
planning for May 3. Vicky Lovell motioned to approve the closure; Kelsey Ihry second. Motion
carried.

Anita Tulp requested to close the Library for Community Days on Saturday, June 15. Deedra
Froemke motioned to approve the closure; Kelsey Ihry second. Motion carried.

A request must be made to the City and County for their consent for the library to get a
construction loan for the roofing and dome projects.

Adjournment

Kelsey Ihry motioned to adjourn at 6:55pm; Annie Beauchman second. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

Thursday, May 16, 2024
5:30pm