

Library Board Minutes: January 19, 2021

(ZOOM Meeting)

Board Members Attending: Tonya Gaffney, Ruzan Morrison, Judy Lindholm, Allan Thoreson, Maureen Lyons, Anders Carlson, Jim Lowrance

Staff: Sarah Rosenblum (Library Director), Joa LaVille, Katie Fink

President called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting were approved. Ruzan Morrison made a motion and Maureen Lyons seconded the motion to approve. There were no additions or corrections.

Operating Bills: Maureen Lyons made a motion and Allan Thoreson seconded the motion to approve bills paid in January.

Old Business:

Batteries for emergency lights are now in.

New Business:

Budget update

Valuations lower than expected.

Impact of changes in multi-unit housing.

May see cuts – reduced book budget by \$5,000.00.

Monday ZOOM meeting of City Council.

There is new growth in the city, but most is TIF housing, not commercial property.

Sarah will send Go-To-Meeting link for council meeting.

Curbside update

Curbside is going well, but people want to come in.

Plans to go back to Walkthrough Phase 1.

Adding morning hours for Thursday.

Adding seating.

Mask enforcement.

Return to Walkthrough Phase 1 on February 1, 2021

Joa made some recommendations on how to serve large families but also keep numbers down for distancing.

Ask parents to bring no more than two young children per adult.

Must wear a mask – even toddlers.

Offer appointments for large families.

Offer individual ZOOM meetings.

Jim Lowrance asked if some of the families will be unhappy and Joa said that some will be unhappy.

Tonya Gaffney asked what the families are doing during their visit. Joa said they are getting books and movies.

Judy Lindholm would like library staff to make suggestions – not rules.

Tonya Gaffney said it is better to have a positive message.

Ruzan Morrison asked how often the large families could make appointments, Joa said twice a week.

Joa- appointments will help staff understand what the community wants.

Sarah- some curbside customers come in, self-checkout stations are not always used.

#### 2021 Calendar

Change the board meeting in December to the 14th.

Maureen Lyons made a motion and Jim Lowrance seconded the motion to approve.

#### Staff Reports

Katie - New adult fiction grab and go bags. Tonya Gaffney asked if this could be added to the catalog and website.

Joa - Jasmine Fisher has added a page to website featuring a video on picklists.  
Youth department has a new read along challenge and reward.  
Battle of the Books  
Winter reading challenge.  
6<sup>th</sup> grade visit.  
High school book club.  
Gamer's Symphony on ZOOM.

#### Director's Report:

Everyone wants vaccine. Library offered to be a vaccination site.

AARP will be back in February – may be able to help 300 people with tax preparation.

February 16 – Ward 1 election in the Community rooms.

March 2022 – Holocaust exhibit will be here. Sarah will be working on programming to build interest. Will promote it highly.

Thanks to the library team. They are working through some hard times.

Some discussion regarding a book sale at the Coliseum.

No public comment

Board will meet February 16, 2021 at 5:00 pm on ZOOM

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.