

Spring Lake District Library Board Minutes  
April 15, 2016

Present: Joan Boand, Tom Cousineau, Mary Eagin, Jane King, Margaret Shay.

Absent: None.

Participating by phone: Ernie Petrus (left meeting at 11am)

Also present: Claire Sheridan, Library Director.

The meeting was called to order at 10:15am by Tom Cousineau.

Motion by Joan Boand, support by Jane King to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was approved.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Jane King, support by Mary Eagin, to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2016 regular meeting as presented. The motion was approved.

Mary Eagin presented the financial report. Motion by Margaret Shay, support by Joan Boand, to accept the financial report and approve the payment of bills. The motion was approved.

Steve Hamstra was present to discuss the solar project consultant report. He recommends investigating the condition of the roof before proceeding with any solar installation. All scenarios considered for a solar installation would be cash positive for the library.

Hurst is completing the installation of natural gas humidifiers. This is expected to significantly lower the library's electrical usage. Lighting changes continue to be evaluated. Payments for the \$75,000 interest-free loan from Consumers Energy have begun.

Motion by Joan Boand, support by Mary Eagin, to approve the proposal from Thomas Krum Consulting with the addition of evaluation of the roof systems presented in the solar project report. The motion was approved.

The library board commitment to serve was reviewed. Motion by Mary Eagin, support by Jane King, to adopt the revised commitment to serve. The motion was approved.

A donation of a portrait of former library board member Lynne Sherwood was discussed. It was determined that there is not a good location for the painting in the library and that a more appropriate place for it might be at the Tri-Cities Museum.

Motion by Joan Boand, support by Jane King, to authorize Tom Cousineau, Mary Eagin, and Claire Sheridan as the signers for the Chemical Bank account. The motion was approved.

Motion by Jane King, support by Joan Boand, to authorize the purchase and installation of a washer and dryer. The motion was approved.

A proposal for a VOIP telephone system was presented. The proposal was developed in conjunction with the Ottawa County Technology Consortium, and was reviewed by Brian Wheeler, Director of Technology, Grand Haven Area Public Schools. Motion by Joan Boand, support by Mary Eagin, to approve the phone system proposal from IP Consulting. The motion was approved.

State legislation relating to libraries and tax capture districts was reviewed.

Motion by Jane King, support by Joan Board, to close the Capital Projects checking account. The motion was approved.

Motion by Joan Board, support by Jane King, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:56am.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Shay  
Secretary