

Golden Prairie Public Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, January 19, 2022
5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

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

II. Roll Call

Trustees Physically Present: Stephen Peterson, Jim Russell, Patti Salch, Kathy Vroman, Stephanie Walden, Ruth Novosad

Trustees Present via Zoom: Ary Anderson

Trustees Absent: None

Others Present: Amy Dunham, Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins

III. Introductions

There were no introductions.

IV. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

V. President's Report

President Novosad received the final annexation ordinance and requested that the Business Office reimburse Costigan and Wollrab, P.C. for the \$50 filing fee. Ruth shared that she receives the ILA Magazine and is willing to share it. She also shared that she will be attending the upcoming ILA Legislative Meetup. There was also some discussion about the misinformed chatter that the GPPLD tax levy will increase due to the expansion. This is not true. Director Hamilton will send a FAQ document to the Board as a tool to aid the Board members in answering questions.

VI. Approval of Minutes

A. December 15, 2021:

Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved as distributed.

VII. Staff Reports

A. Director's Report: Jeanne Hamilton, Library Director, shared an update on the library expansion project and capital campaign. The BPL Board approved the Revised Library Policies at last night's meeting.

B. Outreach Report: Colleen Shaw, Circulation and Outreach Services Manager, shared that Barb Franklin transferred into the home delivery coordinator/bookmobile driver opening created when Olivia Buck transferred to another department. Colleen shared that online library card renewals is going well with 80 online renewals completed so far. The plan is to have full online registration soon. Colleen shared an update on their participation in the Re-Entry Council. Colleen, as well as Michelle Cope, Outreach Library Associate, have been able to participate in the early development of this program that will assist incarcerated individuals an opportunity to restore, re-invent, and renew. The group will be applying for an R3 grant to help with costs. The team is looking forward to starting to change lives as well as connecting local services to those who need it.

C. Financial Report: Kathy Jeakins, Business Manager, provided the reports in the Board packet. In

December the final Property Tax distribution was received. These payments will start again in May 2022. The revenues and expense are right on track.

VIII. New Business

A. Approve Annual Amount to be Set Aside for Capital Projects

Discussion was held regarding the \$9,548 in unspent funds from the last fiscal year. Additional discussion was held regarding the history of the capital reserve fund and what the capital reserve can be used for in the future.

STEPHANIE WALDEN MOVED, STEPHEN PETERSON SECONDED, TO APPROVE RESERVING \$9,548 FOR CAPITAL PURPOSES.

YAYS: ARY ANDERSON, STEPHEN PETERSON, JIM RUSSELL, PATTI SALCH,
KATHY VROMAN, STEPHANIE WALDEN, RUTH NOVOSAD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Approve Donation to the Bloomington Public Library Expansion and Renovation Project

Discussion was held about donating funds to support the Bloomington Public Library Expansion and Renovation Project. The consensus of the Board was to donate the majority of the funds set aside for capital projects but there was some discussion about retaining a small amount for other projects that may arise, such as the techmobile. Director Hamilton communicated that a full techmobile will not be launched this year. In the meantime, the Library's plans to launch a pilot, scaled-back version of the techmobile project using its current van. At this time, the Board decided to commit the first two installments, comprised of the funds set aside from the FY21 unspent funds and the CD maturing on 5/8/22. The intent is to decide on the amount of a third installment after the second CD matures on 1/4/23.

PATTI SALCH MOVED, STEPHEN PETERSON SECONDED, TO APPROVE A DONATION TO THE BLOOMINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE EXPANSION PROJECT WITH THE FIRST INSTALLMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,548 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE APPROVAL OF A BUDGET AMENDMENT, A SECOND INSTALLMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF THE \$84,534.22 15-MONTH CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT #64189 AT FIRST STATE BANK, PLUS ITS GAINED INTEREST FOLLOWING ITS MATURITY DATE OF 5/8/22, AND A THIRD INSTALLMENT IN AN AMOUNT TO BE APPROVED FOLLOWING THE 1/4/23 MATURITY OF THE \$60,421.90 15-MONTH CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT #75199 AT FIRST STATE BANK.

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KATHY VROMAN, STEPHANIE WALDEN, RUTH NOVOSAD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

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IX. Comments from Trustees – Ruth mentioned the recent Census and the diversity change it reflected. Discussion was held on how that affects the needs of the District we serve.

X. Reminder: Next Board Meeting is February 16, 2022.

- XI. **Adjournment**
President Novosad adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.