

Golden Prairie Public Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, October 18, 2023
5:00pm

At 5:00pm, President Ary Anderson opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 23-02, the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning the first day of July 2023 and ending the 30th day of June 2024. President Anderson called for public comments three times with no responses. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:02pm.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

President Anderson called the regular meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

II. Roll Call

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

Others Present: Nan Goerlitz, Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins

Absent: none

III. Introductions

There were no introductions.

IV. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

V. President's Report

Ary Anderson indicated that the funds were moved to the two new banks successfully.

VI. Approval of Minutes

A. September 20, 2023

THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

VII. Staff Reports

A. Director's Report: Jeanne Hamilton reported that this past September the Library partnered with Connect Transit again. Those who showed their library card, either Bloomington or Normal, got a free ride on the bus. There were 24,804 free rides! The Library also issued around 300 new cards, not associated with the schools, during the month of September.

The Library opened the newly renovated west side of the building on Monday, and everyone has been positive and excited. There are still a few things to finish up, but these are progressing. The question was asked about building tours, and Jeanne answered that tours were happening requests are received. After the project is completed, there will be a grand opening ceremony to which all board members will be invited.

B. Outreach Report: Jeanne Hamilton shared that parking the Bookmobile at Viking Liquors while the Freedom Oil stop is under construction is working well. The new Harvest Point stop, which is on the border of Golden Prairie, is booming. Over 40 patrons have attended the past two stops.

- C. Financial Report: Kathy Jeakins stated that the report was in the Board packet. Kathy indicated that the balance in the new checking account is earning interest already.

Kathy shared that she received a draft of the audit report, and she will email it to the Board about a week before the November meeting.

VIII. New Business

A. Adopt Tax Levy Ordinance 23-02

PATTI SALCH MOVED, AND STEPHEN PETERSON SECONDED, TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 23-02 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING THE FIRST DAY OF JULY 2023 AND ENDING THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE 2024.

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. Strategic Planning Process: Kathy Vroman led the Trustees in an exercise to brainstorm words associated with the library. She will compile the results for discussion at the November meeting.

IX. Comments from Board Trustees

Ary Anderson indicated that notice was received for removal of a property from Golden Prairie Public Library District to the City of Bloomington. No action is needed since the property is going from one library service area to another.

Stephen Peterson expressed how impressed he is every time he drives to or by the Library.

Patti Salch shared an article titled *Targeting an Adult's Right to Read*.

X. Reminder

- A. Next Board Meeting is November 15, 2023

XI. Adjournment

Ary Anderson adjourned the meeting at 5:46 pm.