MINUTES OF THE DIDSBURY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING ON JUNE 20, 2023 AT THE DIDSBURY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY, 2033 - 19 AVENUE, DIDSBURY COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Chair: Melynda Crampton; Vice-Chair: Patricia Brisebois, Secretary/Mountain View

County Representative: Alana Gibson;; Member-at-Large: Carolyn Massel;

Member-at-Large: Julian Ross; Guest: Isabelle McAdam; Library Manager: Maia

Foster

REGRETS:

Treasurer: David McWhinney; Town of Didsbury Representative: Curt Engel

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Melynda Crampton at 7:01 p.m.

AGENDA:

a) Additions/Deletions

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

b) Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: Moved by T. Brisebois that the agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

MOTION: Moved by J. Ross that the minutes of the May 16, 2023 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

CONSENT

The following items were presented as part of the consent agenda;

AGENDA:

- a) Manager's Report
- Financial Reports (Comparative Income Statement May 2023; Balance Sheet May 2023
- c) Monthly Statistics Summary May 2023
- d) Summer Reading Club Information
- e) PLSB Board Talk

MOTION: Moved by A. Gibson that the consent agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Friends of the Library Funding Request

M. Crampton, Chair, provided an update for the board regarding the Friends of the Library. The Friends are looking for volunteers and are going to start opening on Wednesday's from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

M. Crampton took the Didsbury Library Board's funding request to the Friends meeting asking for \$1,000 in materials to improve the library space as well as funding for the Library Manager's conference. Both of the funding requests were approved.

MOTION: Moved by C. Massel that the Didsbury and District Library Board accept the report from M. Crampton regarding the funding approval from the Friends of the Library as information only.

CARRIED

b) Accident/Insurance/Building update

M. Foster and M. Crampton explained to the Board that on May 29, 2023, there was an incident where a driver proceeded from the parking area in the front of the library through the library exterior wall where the Manager's office is located.

The report included information such as: EMS responded quickly, the Library was closed for a few days for investigation for structural damages, asbestos, etc.

Discussion occurred about options of seeking the damages from the driver involved, etc. There is significant damage to the interior contents of the office including the desk, printer, monitor, book drop, etc. Clarification was provided that the building itself is the Town's insurance, but the contents will fall under the Library's insurance. The Board discussed how to seek legal advice as to if we should pursue this – if possibly the Town of Didsbury's lawyer would provide the Library some advice and/or if our insurance would provide some advice.

M. Crampton has discussed with the Mayor that some solutions need to be implemented so that this cannot happen again; for instance, bike rack placement in front of the building along the sidewalk, etc.

There was also some discussion about how further investigation needs to be done as it pertains to further damage to the boardroom wall. It is shifted; however, it doesn't seem to have been addressed in the initial investigation.

Further discussion ensued regarding if staff should be paid for the days that the library was closed.

MOTION: Moved by C. Massel that the staff of the Didsbury Library be paid for their scheduled shifts during the closure of the building due to the accident on May 29, 2023.

NEXT MEETING

DATE:

The next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair, M. Crampton, adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Date