

Approved Minutes of the Board of Trustees

New Glarus Public Library

March 28, 2017 6:30 pm

New Glarus Village Hall Boardroom

1. Meeting was called to order by President Linda Hiland at 6:31. Trustees present, in addition to Hiland, were: Bob Bergum, Petra Streiff, Kevin Budsberg, Jody Hoesly, and Suzi Janowiak. Absent: Lexa Speth. Also present: Library Director Lauren White.
2. President Hiland announced that the Board would go into closed session per State Statute 19.85 (1) (e)
3. Kevin Budsberg moved to approve the agenda, 2nd by Petra Streiff. Motion carried.
4. Comments and Questions from the Public: none.
5. Old Business: Discussion and Consideration: Library Building Project: President Hiland brought up recent correspondence with Jim Gersich of Dimension IV. Due to the long delay on construction, costs have risen significantly. The Board acknowledged the need to increase both the fundraising goal. The existing campaign and building documents will also be updated. President Hiland and Director White will lead the effort to create new space needs document. Bob Bergum suggested we add testimonials from nearby communities who have recently built new libraries, and the benefits the communities have enjoyed since construction.
Discussion of 'naming' opportunities still available to prospective donors. Library Director White and Jody Hoesly are working on updating the projected operating budget. As always, grant opportunities are being explored. Discussion of additional outside sources of income that we can pursue; as well as long term fundraising for the Endowment fund.

Strategic Planning: Director White is still scheduling initial meetings for this process.

Sale of West Side Site: Consensus to start the process of selling the property. Jody Hoesly moved to proceed with sale of West Side site, second by Bob Bergum. Motion carried. Details to be discussed under Item 7 (closed session).
6. Committee Reports

- A. Administration Team: Reports balanced. Jody Hoesly requested we ask representatives from the CFSW to meet with us to discuss coordination of new fundraising efforts. This will be in April or May.
 - B. Building Committee: We will arrange a meeting of the new team
 - C. Co-Chairs: We are recruiting new team members and identified those to ask
 - D. Communication Team: Kevin Budsberg will be liaison to new team
 - E. Grants Team: Exploring opportunities for funding and equipment for new library at the present time.
 - F. Partnership: The Board expressed our deep gratitude to the Town of New Glarus for their donation of the WePlaySmart table for the children's area, as well as their offer of help fundraising for the building project. Kevin Budsberg will send a thank you letter from the Board.
 - G. Village Board Liaison: Petra Streiff reported an article will appear in the paper regarding the new ballfield at Veteran's Park, as well as how it relates to the new library project.
 - H. Friends of the Library: Will be providing free books at the grade school to celebrate National Library Month (April).
- 7. Kevin Budsberg moved to go into closed session, second by Bob Bergum. Roll call vote: Petra Streiff: Aye Bob Bergum: Aye Jody Hoesly: Aye Kevin Budsberg: Aye Suzi Janowiak: Aye Linda Hiland: Aye
 - 8. Suzi Janowiak moved to come out of closed session, second by Kevin Budsberg. Roll call vote: Petra Streiff: Aye Bob Bergum: Aye Jody Hoesly: Aye Kevin Budsberg: Aye Suzi Janowiak: Aye Linda Hiland: Aye
 - 9. Results of closed session: Board discussed sale of West Side site.
 - 10. Bob Bergum moved to adjourn, second by Suzi Janowiak. Motion carried at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Suzi Janowiak, Vice President

Secretary Pro Temp.