

VILLAGE OF NEW GLARUS
MEETING OF THE NEW GLARUS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
New Glarus Village Hall – Village Hall board room
319 2nd Street, New Glarus WI 53574

June 19, 2024 5:30 P.M.
MINUTES

1. Call to Order: President Ramirez called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. Those in attendance in addition to Ramirez were trustees Beth Blahut, Shelly Truttman, Kelly Ruschman, Joanne Landry, Tiffany Kuenzi; Library Director Amy Trumble; and Village Liaison Larry Stuessy. Also present: Mary Anne Omichen; Village Clerk Kelsey Jenson; Village Board trustees Jesse Donahue, Jaime Craig and Gof Thomson.

2. Announcement:

A. The Library Board will convene into closed session called under WI State Statute 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Deliberating the purchase of public property)

3. Approval of Agenda: Truttman made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Landry. Motion carried.

4. Comments & Questions from the Public: Gof Thomson stated that he supports the library's building project, particularly if the Library would consider the Zwingli site. He believes that downtown New Glarus is the safest location for the new library. Kelsey Jenson discouraged the Library Board from including election venue assistance to the Town of New Glarus in the offer to purchase the Town Hall. She stated that it is the responsibility of the Town Clerk to secure a location for their elections and it would be inappropriate for the Library Board and/or Village Board to have a hand in that process. Jaime Craig stated that the Village Board supports the Library Board's plan to focus on securing the Town Hall site. She suggested tabling the Zwingli House conversation for now and perhaps revisiting it if we do not get the grant.

5. Unfinished Business:

A. Discussion and Consideration: Building Project Update

6. The board will convene into Closed Session: Ruschman made a motion to go into closed session. Seconded by Stuessy. Motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.

7. The board will convene into Open Session: Kuenzi made a motion to go

into open session. Seconded by Landry. Motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.

A. Results of Closed Session: Discussion & Consideration:
Deliberating the purchase of public property
The Board discussed their counter offer to the Town of New Glarus for the purchase of their Town Hall property.

8. Adjournment: Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 7:00 P.M.