

MINUTES of Town of Vermilion Library Board for December 6th @ 7pm

1. Call to order: A regular meeting of the Town of Vermilion Library Board was called to order on December 9th @ 7pm, Alva Andersen chairing.

Attending: Richard Yaceyko, Joshua Rayment, Kirby Whitlock, Justin Thompson, Alva Andersen, Carolyn Martin. **Regrets:** Leanne Martin, Brad Gallamore, Margaret McCormack, Anna Giesbrecht.

- 2. Agenda: Kirby moves the adoption of the agenda as presented. Carried.
- **3. Minutes:** Joshua moves the adoption of the October 25th and November 27th minutes as circulated. Carried.

4. Reports

Chair: County of VR confirmed 2023 cash funding of \$14,600 in addition to the RSG grant. Library was not successful in a Cenovus grant. Community Closet donated \$5,000. Town council confirmed new appointees to the board and the 2023 requisition. Manager will arrange a farewell gift to Joan Mudryk for her service to the library board.

Joshua moves that the library board recommend town council re-appoint Richard Yaceyko to a 3-year term on the library board. Carried.

Manager: Library closures include December 14 from 1130-1230pm, December 23-27+30. The programs coordinator staff have resigned effective February 2024. New pension enrollments and revised benefits calculations will significantly affect 2024 budget. Manager recommends reducing operating costs to accommodate new expenses. A network gateway and 2 access points needed to be replaced. Ambiguity exists in the jurisdiction between the Town and Library concerning facility reserve management. Manager will send a copy of the current memorandum of understanding to trustees for review.

Kirby moves that the library board enter an in-camera session as per section 17(4)d of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act at 7:21pm. Carried. Kirby moves that the library board enter an in-camera session as per section 17(4)d of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act at 7:25pm. Carried.

Treasurer: No irregular sources of income in the reporting period. Notable expenses include staff development courses at \$731, alarm system troubleshooting, and steam cleaning at \$540.

NLLS Board: The NLLS board confirmed the 2024 budget at a 1.5% increase, ~\$22,400 for the library. This formula assumes a service population of 4,150 for Vermilion.



Plan of Service Committee: The committee is seeking another member to join. Committee reviewed the 2023 service goals and recommends amending several targets. Manager to send a copy of the committee roster list to board members.

Richard moves the adoption of the reports as presented. Carried.

5. Budget: An amended budget was presented for review. Manager highlighted that an interim budget will be required until County of VR funding is confirmed for 2024. *Joshua moves that the board approve the interim budget until such time as the County of Vermilion River funding is determined. Carolyn seconds. Carried.*

6. Adjournment: Justin moves to adjourn at 8:47pm.

Next Meeting: January 31 @ 7pm

Approved On: January 31, 2024

Board Chair: