

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2020, SPECIAL MEETING
BENZIE SHORES DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 9:35 AM by Jon Armstrong.

Present: Trustees, Jon Armstrong, Ginny Freeman, Jim Larsen, Pam Radabaugh, and Jennie Schmitt (arrived at 9:40); Library Director, Stacy Pasche; Brad Warren, building project manager. Absent: Trustees, Brian Johnson and Jon Hawley.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Pam Radabaugh/Jim Larsen to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried, unanimous.

Public Input: None

Business:

1. Construction Update with Brad Warren -

Consumers Energy Updates - Brad needs the board's approval to pay Consumers Energy for the power pole relocation, an unexpected expense which had temporarily halted the construction project. He reiterated the difficulty he has had in communicating with Consumers Energy who seem to be moving at a snail's pace, and he went over the December 7th documentation from Consumers, explaining the three costs leading to the \$8,132.50 total. This would be for boring under the parking lot, burying the line to the relocated pole 332 ft. west, and removing the present pole. He has explained to Consumers the urgency of removing the pole, so our construction project can move forward as soon as possible, and he has been told they would expedite the demo portion.

Once the pole is removed our foundation could be poured and the project could move forward in spite of winter weather. If Consumers were to end up being able to use the power pole already in place to the west of the Mineral Springs well, the cost would be less and we should receive credit for the difference.

Motion by Jim Larsen/Pam Radabaugh to approve payment of the \$8,132.50 bill from Consumers Energy. Motion carried, unanimous. Brad will ask Josh Mills to intercede with Consumers Energy to put a little heat on them to move forward quickly. Stacy will call Josh as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ginny Freeman, Secretary