

Bridgman Public Library
Board Minutes
October 22, 2019 9:00 a.m.

Call to Order: 9:00 a.m. by Hill.

Present: Board Members: Hill, Bogue, Janoskey, Wilk, Huff, Crocker, Noll

Staff: Kreps, Hazelgrove

Agenda Revisions: None

Guests:Community member Rita Depedro attended the meeting. She commented on the library' recent renovation. She both complemented and made suggestions regarding the renovation. Ms. Depedro's comments were noted; the board thanked her for attending the meeting.

Friends of the Library: Kreps reported he will be meeting with Ray in November to discuss the leadership of the Friends.

Committee Reports: No reports

Directors Report: Kreps commended the staff and Richard Reach, Project Manager, for their work and problem solving during the transitions in the renovation process. Kreps reported some shelving units are on back order. Comments from patrons on the changes have been mostly complimentary; concerns and suggestions have also been noted and will be reviewed. Kreps reported he has attended the City Council meeting and Lake and Chikaming township meetings and spoke at each meeting about the library happenings and looks forward to working with each entity.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Bogue to approve the September 24th minutes. Motion was seconded by Janoskey. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Huff requested future information for financial reports be presented using the previous format and be available on Friday. An investment maturing in one week was discussed and a motion was made by Wilk to let the CD renew for another 6 months. The motion was seconded by Noll. Motion carried.

Discussion Items:

- A. **Remodeling project report:** Kreps reported he has communicated with patrons and asked for feedback. He expressed that the library is listening and solutions will be explored in view of comments and feedback regarding privacy while working on the computers, lighting augmentation and utilization of space. The library's book collections will also be reviewed.

B. **Open House Date:** Kreps reported that the date is set for Friday, November 22 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. The Open House will present the new library surroundings and introduce the new library director.

Action Items: Approval of Bills: The motion was made by Crocker to pay the bills in the amount of \$72,447.99. Motion was seconded by Huff. Motion carried.

Communications and Correspondence: A letter was received from a home school organization covering several counties asking if we would be interested in posting events on their website. Hill reported that two applications have been received for consideration to fill the board vacancy and action will be taken in November.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 9:56 by Hill. Next meeting November 26 at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by
Dennis Kreps

Approved by the Secretary: John S. Wick Date: 11/26/19