



PARRY SOUND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, October 20, 2020 @ 9:a.m. @ Parry Sound Public Library

PRESENT: Tom Lundy – Chair, Archipelago Rep., Susan Murphy, Carling Township Rep. - Vice – Chair, Doug McCann, Town of Parry Sound Rep, Vanessa Backman, Town of Parry Sound Rep., Lynn Gregory, McDougall Rep., Colleen O’Hare, Stephen Heder

STAFF: Rita Orr, C.E.O.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called at 9:07 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion #2020 -46

That we the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept the October 20, 2020 agenda, as circulated to all members be approved, as amended.

Moved by: S. Heder and seconded by S. Murphy

Carried

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – *None*

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

4.1 Minutes:

a) **Minutes of Meeting September 15, 2020 - Approved**

4.2: Correspondence/Education

a) <https://www.learnhq.ca/#/online-courses/6249bd45-e4ff-44c8-8b9c-49f93d068147>

Instructions: Open hyper link, log into your Learn HQ account, and enter enrol and go down to: (if you do not have an account you can set one up)

Session 4 - Political Acumen: The Municipal Panel and start Status:

The political landscape is often seen to be challenging, confusing, intimidating and complicated. This session seeks to demystify the local political landscape as Rita Orr, CEO of the Parry Sound Public Library, discusses and explores a variety of topics with a panel of municipal councillors, including the following: advocacy with your local government; gaining support in challenging and changing times; building positive dialogue; relationship and partnership building with municipal officials and staff; strategic alignment with municipal priorities; and speaking municipal “language.”

4.3: Correspondence from Lynne Gregory. L. Gregory thanked the Parry Sound Library Board and staff for the flowers for her husband’s memorial. R. Orr also said thank you to L. Gregory for the donation of the book to the library her husband wrote with Rowland Tinline “Taking the Bite out of Rabies: The Evolution of Rabies Management in Canada.

4.4 Correspondence from The Township of Carling: Motion 20-080 regarding their 2021 Budget

5. IN-CAMERA SESSION – NOT NECESSARY

6. NEW BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

6.1 New Board Member:

There was one application submitted to become a Library Board Member and Jenn Hoddy will be appointed to the Library board during tonight's Town of Parry Sound Council Meeting.

7. FINANCIAL:

7.1: Treasurer's Report for the following to be approved.

September 1 to 30 for the amount \$47,447.05 (Circulation Desk and Electrical Work was paid)

Motion #2020 - 47

We the Board accept the Treasurer's report of disbursements as presented from September 1 to 30, 2020 in the amount of \$47,447.05, as presented be approved.

Moved by C. O'Hare and seconded by L. Gregory

Carried

7.2: 2021 Draft Budget for review and approval to present to all partners.

Motion #2020 - 49

That we the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept the 2021 Budget Draft, as circulated to all members be approved and to be presented to the Town of Parry Sound Council and to the Parry Sound Public Library partners; The Township of the Archipelago, Carling township, Municipality of McDougall.

Moved by C. O'Hare and seconded by S. Heder

Carried

R. Orr mentioned that the new circulation desk has been approved with a *Certificate of Acceptance* by the Electrical Safety Authority on September 21, 2020

R. Orr mentioned that the Parry Sound Public Library will be receiving a Connectivity Funding Grant from the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and culture Industries for approximately \$1400

A discussion of the repairs of the library building was reviewed. Exploring a Trillium Grant will be reviewed in the near future with the Town of Parry Sound. The three furnaces/air conditioners and siding around the building need to be replaced. The Library is paying for yearly repairs on the furnaces/air conditioners. The building will be 57 years of age.

Motion #2020 - 48

That we the Parry Sound Public Library Board, explore the possibility to return ownership of the library building to the Town of Parry Sound.

We the Parry Sound Public Library Board, give direction to our C.E.O., Rita Orr to enter into discussion with the Parry Sound town staff and report back to the Library Board.

Moved by S. Murphy and seconded by V. Backman

Carried

8. CEO REPORT:

8.1 Statistics –Commercial Covid 19 (to be shown at all Councils)

T. Lundy Library Board Chair and R. Orr, C.E.O. will be on a Zoom council meeting at 7:00 p.m. October 20, 2020 to show the Commercial and discuss how the library has been assisting the community in these Covid 19 times. R. Orr showed the commercial to the board members.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vQ-UTuIPVw>

8.2 Upcoming events posters: Halloween in the Downtown Oct. 13 to 28, 2020

Children will receive a treat bag when they return a colouring page and when they take out a Book, they will receive a small pumpkin to paint. We thank No Frills for the donation of 60 pumpkins. Mystic Medium: one on one session – advanced bookings Nov. 5, 2020 between 3 and 5

8.3 A new virtual program on Wednesday, October 21st will be introduced to the community and in the Library world.

“What’s Your Sound?” a Parry Sound Public Library Podcast. We have initiated this podcast to connect with and recognize the achievements of our community, deepen understanding, and inspire future innovation. Instead of having the public come into our building, they can listen to programs through the podcast.

9. Next Meeting November 17, 2020 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Parry Sound Public Library

10. AJOURNMENT Motion #2020 - 50 10:30 A.M. Moved by; V. Backman and seconded by L. Gregory