

West Grey Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2021

West Grey Public Library - Virtual

Present: Malcolm Beddoe, Stephen Townsend, Les Bridgen, Beth Hamilton, Elizabeth Murray, Boyde Colwell, Kim Storz, CEO

Regrets: Michele Humphrey

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Moved by Beth Hamilton and seconded by Boyde Colwell it hereby be resolved THAT the West Grey Public Library Board approve the agenda.

Motion carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

It is recorded that there were no declarations of pecuniary or conflict of interest or of the general nature thereof.

Question raised- is there a conflict of interest if a member of the Board who is also a Municipal Councillor presents to Council or vice versa?

Response from Beth Hamilton having already confirmed with the Integrity Commission that there is no conflict of interest either way.

Delegation – N/A

Consent Agenda

- a. Adopt previous minutes– December 2020
- b. Accounts Payable – December 2020 \$6,422.24

**Moved by Stephen Townsend and seconded by Liz Murray it hereby be resolved the West Grey Public Library Board adopt items A and B on the consent agenda.
Carried.**

Correspondence

Letter from Doug Hutchinson expressing his resignation from the WGPL Board.

Librarian's Report

Curbside services will continue but staff will now wear face shields as well as masks

Staff limited to basics and other will work from home

Complete contact tracing will begin 14 January. Independent contact lists will be kept for 30 days.

West Grey Emergency team agreed that Library ought to continue operating with Municipality's approval.

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Matters arising from the minutes

- a. Board members present completed Unconscious Bias Training with 30-minute online video programme. Kim to confirm same with Municipality.
- b. 2021 PowerPoint Budget Presentation to Council. Discussion about changes to Council meeting formats from previous years, meant to streamline the process. As well, Council didn't receive Library's budget in November so won't have adequate information to make decisions without a presentation. Stephen to enquire further and email response to members following day and Kim to enquire same of Municipality Treasure and CAO.
- c. Memorandum of Understanding deferred to February 2021 board meeting
- d. Discussion regarding Elmwood public meeting. A working committee of Malcolm, Kim, Beth and Liz was formed to develop meeting format, roles, technical arrangements and agenda.

7. Report from Council Members

Economic Development Committee beginning strategic planning, working with Grey County. Library will partner with a phased in approach. Will also include Saugeen Development Corporation, property developers, land use and more.

8. Other Business

Malcolm met with Mayor Robinson. He thanked her for the library's inclusion in the Service Review. Mayor did not want to discuss the budget.

Malcolm updated the Mayor on the Boards motion to close the Elmwood Resource Centre

Malcolm requested more information on community charges/development charges.

It was agreed that Malcolm would meet with the Mayor every two months.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the West Grey Public Library Board will be held via ZOOM on Wednesday 10 February 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm by Liz Murray.

Chair

Date