



Library Board

Minutes - December 16, 2009

GODERICH, ONTARIO



LIBRARY BOARD

Goderich, Ontario
December 16th, 2009.

The Library Board met in the Council Chambers at the Court House in Goderich on the 16th day of December, 2009. Warden Dykstra called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The newly appointed members of the Library Board appointed at the Inaugural Council meeting on December 2nd are as follows: Warden B. Dykstra and Councillors Demaray, Kelly, Fergusson, Robertson, Oke and Siemon. The non-members of the Library Board are Sheana Campbell, Phyllis Chisholm, Norman Fairles, Cheryl Heath, Margaret Menzies and Eric Nichols.

All members of the Library Board were present except for Phyllis Chisholm. Member Kelly left the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

Warden Dykstra welcomed everyone to the meeting and delivered season's wishes to all present. Warden Dykstra requested a Motion to nominate a Chair for the Library Board for 2010.

Member Ken Oke nominated Member George Robertson.

Prior to the Motion being considered Warden Dykstra asked Member Robertson if he would agree to let his name stand as Chair of the Library Board. Member Robertson agreed.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member K. Oke and Seconded by: Member D. Kelly:

THAT:

Member George Robertson be nominated as the Chair of the Library Board for 2010.

CARRIED

Warden Dykstra then turned the Library Board meeting over to Chair Robertson.

Chair Robertson asked for a Motion to nominate a Vice Chair for the Library Board for 2010.

Member Siemon nominated Member Jim Fergusson. Member Fergusson agreed to act as Vice Chair.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member B. Siemon and Seconded by: Member D. Kelly:

THAT:

Member J. Fergusson be nominated as the Vice Chair of the Library Board for 2010.

CARRIED

MOTION:

Moved by: Member Demaray and Seconded by: Member Kelly:

THAT:

The minutes of Library Board meeting of November 17th, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Declarations of Pecuniary Conflict of Interest and the General Nature Thereof:
There were no conflicts of interest stated.

Board Member's Issues:

Member Oke questioned the maintenance grant system to the various libraries in the County. He stated the grant has not changed since 2003. County Librarian Beth Ross advised that this issue comes up now and again. She offered to present a Report at an upcoming Board meeting that will explain the maintenance grants from the County to the libraries owned by the lower tier municipalities.

6. Report of the County Librarian:

Beth Ross presented the Library Report and the Book Expenditure Report for the information of the Board.

Member B. Siemon advised the Brussels Library has been turned down for a cultural grant. They will now be looking at building a new library in Brussels.

Board Member Margaret Menzies advised the Clinton Library was unsuccessful to receive a grant for accessibility to the Clinton Library as well.

CAO Adams advised that any Board members who have not received their Accessibility Training must complete the training prior to December 31st or they will be unable to act as members on this or any other Board in the County. There are three members from the Library Board that have not received the

Accessibility Training and they need to contact Sarah Clemons the Accessibility Co-ordinator to access the training prior to December 31st.

6.1 Library Reports for Information/Updating Purposes for the Month of October:

6.2 Book Expenditure Report:

The Book Expenditure and Outstanding Book Order Report for the period ending November 30th, 2009 which showed total purchases to date of \$374,464, with outstanding orders totalling \$65,540, leaving the approximate amount in the uncommitted book budget of \$67,269.

6.3 Report of the Southern Ontario Library Services Trustee Council Representative:

There was no report from the Trustee.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member N. Fairless and Seconded by: Member J. Fergusson:

THAT:

The Library Reports for Information/Updating Purposes for the month of October and the Book Expenditure Report; be received.

CARRIED

7. Accounts and Financial Statements:

Accounts up to and including November 26th, 2009 totaling \$18,303.66 will be reviewed.

The financial statement for the period ending October 31st, 2009 will be reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Library	\$216,882	\$237,100	\$2,096,415	\$2,155,892	\$1,879,533	\$1,918,792

MOTION:

Moved by: Member K. Oke and Seconded by: Member E. Nichols:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including November 26th, 2009 and the financial statement for the period ending October 31st, 2009; be received.

CARRIED

8. Draft Budget:

The County Librarian presented the proposed 2010 Library Budget.

There were many questions regarding the proposed Budget for 2010. There was some discussion about amending the budget to include an increase in the maintenance grant as discussed earlier. Chair Robertson advised that the Board should wait until the Report from County Librarian Ross to come back to the Board; they should not make a decision regarding the maintenance grant today.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member N. Fairless and Seconded by: Member M. Menzies:

THAT:

The recommendation from County Librarian Beth Ross that the draft budget be consolidated into the County draft budget; be approved.

CARRIED

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Library Board will be Wednesday January 20th, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Court House, Council Chambers, Goderich.

Adjournment:

MOTION:

Moved by: Member B. Siemon and Seconded by: Member C. Heath:

THAT:

The Library Board meeting adjourn at 9:38 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair George Robertson