Meeting of the Brantford Public Library Board Thursday, June 20, 2024 Main Library Board Room/Videoconference 4:00 pm – 4:26 pm

Vision Statement A community connected through innovation, discovery, and creativity.

MINUTES

Members Present: M. McGeein (Chair), M. Reniers (Vice-Chair), J. Heath, A. Fiszauf.

Virtually: A. Briggs, Councillor G. Caputo, Councillor M. Samwell, R. Aramburo.

Regrets: D. Aguilar, R. Breen.

Staff Present: K. Symons, K. Nielsen, L. Warner, E. Dudszus.

Recording Secretary: M. Male.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

46-24

MOVED BY:

A. Fiszauf

SECONDED BY:

M. Reniers

That the agenda for the June 20, 2024 Board Meeting be approved as amended.

Carried.

Item 5 a Lawren Harris Parkette and Mural to be discusses after item 2.

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

5. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. Lawren Harris Parkette and Mural

Board discussion with City representative, A. Briggs, for the proposed extension of a new mural planned for the Library's external wall, adjacent to the existing mural La Landscape de Kanata.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of MAY 16, 2024

47-24

a. May 16, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

MOVED BY: M. Reniers

SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Caputo

That the minutes of the May 16, 2024 Board Meeting be approved.

Carried.

4. RESOLUTION REPORTS

a. New Branch Approvals

48-24

MOVED BY: M. Reniers SECONDED BY: J. Heath

WHEREAS the Brantford Public Library has been actively working towards the development of a new library branch in a joint-use facility in the southwest of Brantford, in partnership with the Grand Erie District School Board and the City of Brantford;

AND WHEREAS the Grand Erie District School Board, as lead of the joint project, has issued the tender for construction of the New Southwest Community Centre, Elementary School and Library at 10 Strickland Avenue Brantford;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Library Board authorize Library management to provide required approvals for the Grand Erie District School Board to proceed with award of the contract to the vendor selected through the tender process, within the approved capital budget;

AND FURTHER THAT the Library Board authorize Library management to enter into a development agreement and operations agreement to set out the responsibilities of each party with respect to the development and operation of the joint facility.

Carried.

b. Main Library Roof Replacement Tender Award Approval

49-24

MOVED BY: A. Fiszauf SECONDED BY: M. Reniers

WHEREAS the Library's approved capital budget for 2024 includes \$1,208,500 for the replacement of the Main Library roof:

AND WHEREAS the tender for the roof replacement is expected to be issued by the City Purchasing Department within the next several weeks;

AND WHEREAS Library Board approval is required for management to enter into contracts greater than \$50,000;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Library Board authorize Library management to sign the required contracts to award the main library roof replacement project to the vendor selected through the tender process, within the approved capital budget.

Carried.

Discussion on process if a project is overbudget. Funds to cover overage could come from the Library reserves, going to the City for further tender, or readjusting how much of the roof project is completed.

Review of Health and Safety, Workplace Violence, and C. Workplace Harassment Policies

50-24

J. Heath

MOVED BY: SECONDED BY: A. Fiszauf

WHEREAS the Occupational Health & Safety Act requires the Library Board to annually review the Health and Safety Policy, Workplace Harassment Policy, and Workplace Violence Policy:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Library Board approve the annual review of the Health and Safety Policy, Workplace Harassment Policy, and Workplace Violence Policy, which has resulted in no recommended changes or additions to the policies at this time.

Carried.

5. INFORMATION REPORTS

b. Lawren Harris Parkette and Mural

51-24

MOVED BY: M. Reniers SECONDED BY: J. Heath

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board moves to contribute \$5,000 to the new Lawren Harris Parkette mural from the Grant opportunity and Projects reserve fund.

Carried

The City will assume responsibility for maintaining the mural-covered portions of the wall, including addressing graffiti.

c. CEO Report – April 2024

Recent and upcoming activities and decisions were highlighted in the report. Board impressed by great work done by staff. Book Kiosk to be set up at Sobey's in West Brantford.

d. April 2024 Financial Statements

Financial Statements for April 2024 were received.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Planning and Policy Committee

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7. UPCOMING DATES

- **a.** Southwest joint building groundbreaking June 24, 2024 at 3:30 pm.
- b. Library Board Meeting August 15, 2024 at 4:30 pm.

8. ADJOURNMENT

51-24

MOVED BY:

M. Reniers

The Library Board meeting adjourned at 4:26 pm.

Carried.

Read and approved....August 15.....2024.

Chair

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