

MISSISSIPPI MILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

MINUTES
Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Mississippi Mills Public Library Board was held on November 20, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pakenham branch.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT:

Barbara Button, Chair
Alison Ball
Leanne Czerwinski, Vice-Chair
Emma Kinsman (via Zoom)
Jeff Fraser (left meeting at 11:30 a.m.)
Vicki Lowe, Council Representative
Mary Lumsden
Cathy Peacock
Warren Thorngate
Christine Row, staff

ABSENT:

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 41-24

Moved by J. Fraser

Seconded by W. Thorngate

THAT the MMPLB approves the agenda with the addition of a closed session.

CARRIED

4. DECLARATION OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

[None]

5. DELEGATIONS OR PRESENTATIONS

[None]

6. MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

Resolution No. 42-24

Moved by A. Ball

Seconded by C. Peacock

THAT the MMPLB approves the October 16, 2024 Minutes as presented.

CARRIED

7. CONSENT ITEM

a) Correspondence -Ontario Investing in First Nations Public Libraries -FOPL

b) Reports- CEO report, Friends update

c) Incidents

[None]

Resolution No. 43-24

Moved by L. Czerwinski

Seconded by M. Lumsden

THAT the MMPLB accepts the consent items as presented.

CARRIED

8. UPDATES

a) Policy Review

A. Ball presented the OP-21 Programming Policy for review.

Resolution No. 44-24

Moved by J. Fraser

Seconded by C. Peacock

THAT the MMPLB approves the OP-21 Programming Policy as presented.

CARRIED

b) Financial Review

Board reviewed the September 30, 2024 Financial Statement.

c) Board Advocacy

B. Button attended the Makerspace information session.

M. Lumsden attended the Community Consultation session at Almonte Old Town Hall and participants spoke highly of how the Library impacts their lives.

9. FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION

a) 2025 Operating Budget

The Board reviewed options for reducing library services in the event of a reduction to the 2025 Operating Budget.

9b. to be discussed after the closed session because J. Fraser must leave by 11:30 a.m.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 45-24

Moved by J. Fraser

Seconded by L. Czerwinski

THAT the MMPLB enter into an closed session at 11:20 a.m. to address a topic pertaining to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 46-24

Moved by J. Fraser

Seconded by C. Peacock

THAT the MMPLB meeting moves out of closed session at 11:33 a.m.

CARRIED

The HR working group will schedule a meeting with Christine to discuss her annual review.

9. FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION (continued)

b) Makerspace Furniture & Supplies

The Board reviewed the Makerspace Furniture & Supplies report.

Resolution No. 47-24

Moved by E. Kinsman

Seconded by L. Czerwinski

THAT the MMPLB approves spending up to \$9,000 from the Pakenham Furniture deferred revenue for the purchase of Makerspace furniture and supplies.

CARRIED

11. OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

[None]

12. COMMUNICATIONS

[None]

12. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 10 a.m. at the Pakenham branch.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 48-24

Moved by W. Thorngate

Seconded by E. Kinsman

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

CARRIED