

DODGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5:00 PM, After the Foundation Meeting

The Dodgeville Public Library Board of Trustees met on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5:07 p.m.

Present: Jody Vanderloo, Lisa Spady, Mary Wepking, Nancy Howard, Deb Haag, Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Ryne Ponsler, Carrie Portz-Library Director, Carol Murphy Asst. Director

Agenda and Minutes Approval: Jody Vanderloo called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. and there being no objections declared the meeting duly posted. The agenda for this meeting was declared approved and the March 10 2025 meeting minutes were approved with no objections.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Jody Vanderloo to approve the bills. First by Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Second by Nancy Howard. All in favor. Motion carried.

2025 YTD Financial Report: 25% through end of March 2025. Highlights; wages are on track at 22%. Carry-Over fund amount is not known at this time.

Reports and Updates

1. Director's Report: Carrie Portz had several meetings in March and the beginning of April. An update was given on the progress of hiring a moving company. Many different quotes ranging in services and cost. A pre-bid walk through was held with eight different large company contractors attending. Many subcontractors also attended, i.e.; Hvac, IT, Electric etc. A highlight of the month was the Anxious Generation Community Conversation held at the Mount Horeb Library. Mayor Hottman made a proclamation officially declaring April 6-12 as National Library Week 2025. The library held an open house set up with the new library story boards and plans. The Iowa County Library Board donated funds for a cake and other refreshments were served. The open house was very well attended with 84 visitors.

2. Building Committee Update: Project went out for bid on 3/27/25. Prebid walk through for contractors last week was standing room only! Bids opening 5/05/25 – will need to meet and approve that night – City Council will review and approve on 5/06/25. Armory construction is under way. Direct construction estimate is at \$8-8.7 million.

3. Fundraising Committee Update: Next meeting April 30th, 2025.

4. Friends of the Library Update: Great ideas for visibility and fund raising are coming in. The next meeting will be recruitment for the board and committees. Focus will be on specific goals and events. For example, Town Square and Farmer's Appreciation Day.

New Business

FFP update; approved and signed the grant contract, received and signed the amended contract. Portz submitted the quarterly report, environmental report and the sustainability report. All these are a prerequisite of getting funds reimbursed. Fountain street water plan by the City of Dodgeville includes the library project resulting in saving time and money – much appreciated. Estimates for the moving the library have all been received. Discussing ways for people to help move. Director Portz and Carol Gleichauf will visit possible locations for summer reading and Lego programs.

Old Business

Received final contract from Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc. (HGA) for architectural design and construction document creation services for the library remodel and addition. Will be review on April 15th 2025 at the City Council meeting. City lawyer stated a minor clause is needed in the final contract with the city allowing for a faster termination if the grant dollars do not come through.

Upcoming Meetings: May 5th, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting

Adjourn: Motion by Roxanne Reynolds-Lair to adjourn. Second by Nancy Howard. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Murphy