



MURRAY
LIBRARY

Board of Trustees Regular Session Wednesday, March 16

*Present: Traci Black, Patricia Griffiths, Valerie Harsh, Gamal Herbon, Lois Holt
Holly Hult, Pepper Pehrson,*

Excused:

Others: Mayor Ted Eyre; Murray City Mayor, Kim Fong; Library Director, Traci Sutherland; Library Staff, Tim Tingey; Director of Administrative and Development Services, Scout Troop

1. Call to Order: President Black called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 February 2016

The minutes of the February 2016 meeting were approved with corrections on a motion made by Gamal Herbon, seconded by Pepper Pehrson. Voting was unanimous in favor.

3. Public Comment

President Black welcomed the Scout Troop and invited them to share any comments they had about the Library.

4. Financial Reports

66% of the financial year has lapsed. President Black asked about the money spent from the Building account- that money was used to pay for the remodel of the Auditorium.

The Board discussed the money spent on credit card fees- patrons are using credit cards more now that there is an option to pay online. When patrons pay in the Library, they cannot use credit cards unless the amount is \$5.00 or more. There is a note on the website asking patrons not to use their credit cards to pay their fine online if it is less than \$5, but no way to prevent them from doing so. Credit card fees vary based on the card the patron uses. The financial reports were received and filed on a motion made by Gamal Herbon, seconded by Holly Hult. Voting was unanimous in favor.

5. Board Reports

Lois Holt asked if the patron who attended the last meeting had spoken with Director Fong again about the junior high student's behavior. She said she hadn't seen her again since that meeting, but she had won a Kindle as part of the Winter Reading program.

6. Development of Murray Downtown- Tim Tingey

Tim Tingey gave a presentation to Board members about plans to revitalize downtown Murray City, which is the area north of Intermountain Medical Center to 4800 South. He spoke about making Murray City a "community of healing", similar to Rochester, Minnesota, where the Mayo Clinic is located. At the end of 2015, Murray City entered into an Exclusive Developer agreement with J.R. Miller Enterprises, with construction to begin this summer. Part of the vision for the downtown could include a new Library as part of the City center, which would include the new city hall, a cultural arts center, and police station. The exact location of all of these entities is still being decided. Lois Holt asked if this was different than when the Library was offered space in the new City Hall a few years ago. Mayor Eyre

said this is different, because at that time, the Library was offered a space smaller than the current building on one floor of the City Hall. This would be a new building that would be a part of several buildings in the City center.

7. **Postponement of Tax Levy Increase- Mayor Ted Eyre**
Mayor Eyre asked Board members to consider postponing asking the City Council for a tax levy for the Library for at least a year. By next year, the city will have a better idea of when construction on the new city center will begin, and if space for a new library will be included in the plans. Mayor Eyre has proposed employee merit and COLA raises this year- the tax levy would have included money in the budget to cover those raises. He said that the City has enough money to cover employee compensation this year without affecting the Library budget. The Mayor also proposed moving one employee currently on the Library payroll to the City IT department payroll. Currently, there is a Library employee who oversees the IT system at the Library, and spends one day a week working with the IT department at City Hall. This employee's job would not change, he would still work at the Library and continue to have the same job, but his salary would not come out of the Library budget.

8. Old Business

8.1 2017 Budget Review

The scout troop left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

At last month's meeting, Director Fong had presented the 2016-17 budget formulated using the money that would be received from the tax levy. Now that the Mayor has asked to the Board to postpone asking for the tax increase, Director Fong presented a new budget. The new budget also reflects the employee raises proposed by the Mayor for all City employees. The new budget

also provides for a full-time page position, as previously discussed by the board. Most other accounts will stay similar to what they are this budget year. President Black noted that there will be nothing in the Buildings and Infrastructure account. Director Fong said that there is \$60,000 in the Buildings and Ground account that should cover any costs.

Gamal Herbon made a motion to accept the revised budget, seconded by Valerie Harsh. Voting was unanimous in favor. Director Fong showed the Board members the new Launchpad tablets that are available for patrons to check out. They are pre-loaded with educational apps for children.

9. New Business

9.1 Internet and Computer Use Policy

The Library's Internet and Computer Use Policy must be reviewed and reapproved by the Library Board every three years. The Board members reviewed the policy, and approved it on a motion made by Gamal Herbon, seconded by Patricia Griffiths. Voting was unanimous in favor.

10. Adjournment

President Black said she would accept a motion to adjourn. Gamal Herbon so moved, seconded by Lois Holt. Voting was unanimous in favor, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.