

Yale Valley Library District

Regular Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2021

Location: Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

YVLD Board of Trustees: Eric Reese, Tina Moir, Chris Conroy, Bob Appling, Kathi Wheeler

FVRL: Amelia Shelley, Carrie Greenwood, Jennifer Hauan

Guests: Victoria Johnson, Wayne Achen

1. Call to Order: Reese called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.
2. Agenda Approval: Wheeler moved to approve the January 14 agenda. Conroy seconded the motion. The motion was approved by each trustee.
3. Introductions & Welcomes / Chair Announcements: Reese reported that the only news he had was that the green trim was painted on the building today and it looks really nice.
4. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Minutes Approval, November 12, 2020: Conroy moved to approve the November 12 minutes. Reese seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Reese, Conroy, and Appling. Moir and Wheeler abstained.
 - b. Minutes Approval, December 10, 2020: Moir moved to approve the December 10 minutes. Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Reese, Moir, Conroy, and Wheeler. Appling abstained.
 - c. Approval of building project bills, reviewed by Eric Reese: Conroy moved to approve payment of the invoice dated 1-6-2021 in the amount of \$91,909.76. Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion was approved by each trustee.
5. Financial Report: Greenwood presented the December 2020 Financial Statement. Conroy asked about the 2020 Budget figures; Greenwood will change them to reflect the amended 2020 budget approved in December.
6. Building Project Update: Shelley reported the updated schedule for completion of the building is February 1st. The drywall is almost done, interior painting should start next week; the carpet is due next week; finishing up on the plumbing and lighting. The furniture and shelving should arrive by the beginning of February. Trustees need to decide on roller blinds; Shelley will send more information via email.

No progress has been made on the squatter issue. Sheriff department claims the owner has known for some time about the squatters, and it's now just a civil issue. Reese said that they have been there 3 to 4 months maximum. The contractors have removed the power pole that the squatters had been tapping into so they are no longer able to steal

electricity. McCuiston has tried to contact the squatters but no one ever appears to be around. FVRL will continue to work with the owner to resolve the issue.

Shelley said that they are working with the Woodland School District (WSD) to get a separate address for Yale Library. WSD is having problems getting any responses from the county planning department.

7. Revised FVRL Draft Contract: Shelley explained possible changes in the FVRL Contract with YVLD. This draft is just a beginning document. The first years of operation of Yale Library will yield more accurate operating costs.
8. 2021 Board Meeting Schedule: an amended meeting schedule was presented. The previous schedule erroneously set April's meeting date for the 3rd Thursday of the month rather than the 2nd Thursday.
9. COVID-19 Update for Yale: Shelley reported that on Jan 11, the library returned to Phase 1 as part of a new Southwest Region composed of Clark, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, Skamania, and Klickitat counties. No county can move into a new phase until all the counties are ready to move. They are still waiting to learn what the Phase 1 and 2 guidelines are for libraries. Shelley is working to get library workers classified at a higher risk so they can get vaccinated sooner.
10. Branch Manager Report: Hauan reported that curbside service is going "great guns". Woodland is seeing increasing usage while Yale is holding steady. As soon as she gets the okay, she will start doing curbside service in the Yale Library parking lot.
11. Citizen Comments: Johnson asked if there was a plan for landscaping. Shelley will put landscaping on the agenda for next month's meeting.
12. Board Comments: Appling will be absent from May to October 2021 with no internet access. Conroy reported that she knows someone who is interested in filling any position where it is most needed. Conroy's second term ends July 2021 which will create another open position. How best to fill these positions will be on next month's agenda.

Wheeler asked about a policy on use of the community room. A meeting room policy discussion will be added to next month's agenda.

13. Adjournment: Wheeler moved to adjourn the meeting. Appling seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.


Eric Reese (Feb 22, 2021 21:56 PST)

YVLD Board Chair

Feb 22, 2021

Date






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