

NIAGARA FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
March 20, 2019
Victoria Avenue Library Board Room

PRESENT: A. Andres-Jones (Chair), J. Anstruther (Vice-Chair), F. Franze, K. Letourneau, B. Ness, L. Ravesi, T. Tredwell, K. Tsiantoulas

REGRETS: C. Ioannoni (Councillor)

STAFF: A. Subnaik Kilgour, K. Rimnyak

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:48 pm

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT WAS READ INTO THE MINUTES

The Chonnonton people have called these lands where we are gathering home for thousands of years and more recently, the Anishnaabe and the Haudenosaunee have been sharing the land as One Dish, One Spoon Treaty territory. We would like to acknowledge the enduring resilience of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit people who call this territory home.

1) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: 2019-14 To approve the agenda of March 20, 2019

MOVED BY: F. Franze

SECONDED BY: L. Ravesi

MOTION CARRIED

J. Anstruther arrived at 4:51 pm

2) CORRESPONDENCE

Consultation: Regional government review, a message from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Efficient and Effective Regional Governments, Ontario Newsroom

Special Advisors Appointed to Begin Regional Government Review, Ontario Newsroom

Westlane Secondary School Re: Fine Arts & Literary Arts Graduate Prizes

Email of complaint received from A. Menotti

A discussion ensued regarding the complaint email received. The Board recommended sending correspondence to the Niagara Regional Police Service to request an increase in presence around the Victoria Ave location.

MOTION: 2019-15 To accept the correspondence of March 20, 2019
MOVED BY: T. Tredwell
SECONDED BY: L. Ravesi
MOTION CARRIED

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: 2019-16 To accept the minutes of the regular meeting of February 20, 2019
MOVED BY: B. Ness
SECONDED BY: J. Anstruther
MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

K. Tsiantoulas arrived at 5:01 pm

4) BOARD EDUCATION

City of Niagara Falls Committees of Council 2019
City of Niagara Falls Advisory Committee Orientation

5) ARTICLES OF INTEREST

New Concept: A Library Topped with Affordable Housing | Globe St
The internet never forgets. But should it? That legal battle is raging in Canada and worldwide
| Ottawa Citizen
March break activities galore at Niagara Falls Library | Niagara This Week

6) FINANCE COMMITTEE

a) The Library cheque registers were read into the minutes

February 1-28, 2019 (for 2018 year)	\$28,275.26
February 1-28, 2019 (for 2019 year)	\$131,388.29

MOTION: 2019-17 To accept the cheque registers of February 1-28, 2019 (for 2018) & February 1-28, 2019 (for 2019)

MOVED BY: B. Ness
SECONDED BY: J. Anstruther
MOTION CARRIED

b) Operating Budget – actuals as at February 28, 2019

MOTION: 2019-18 To accept the financial reports of February 28, 2019
MOVED BY: F. Franze
SECONDED BY: K. Letourneau
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: 2019-19 To move to Committee-of-the-Whole to discuss property issues
MOVED BY: J. Anstruther
SECONDED BY: B. Ness
MOTION CARRIED

The Niagara Falls Public Library Board went “in camera” at 5:25 pm to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the board.

K. Tsiantoulas departed at 6:05 pm

MOTION: 2019-23 To come out of Committee-of-the-Whole
MOVED BY: F. Franze
SECONDED BY: B. Ness
MOTION CARRIED

The “in camera” session was completed at 6:10 pm

7) CEO REPORT

A. Subnaik Kilgour

- Regional Library Board training will be taking place on April 27, 2019 in West Lincoln
- Staffing changes:
 - Two part-time Customer Service Associate positions have been merged to create one full-time customer service associate position
 - H. Carruthers, Customer Service Associate, retired after 29 years of total service
 - Interviews for both vacant positions have been conducted, two internal candidates were the successful hires
- APLL Graduates were published in the SOLS March Newsletter, NFPL’s Customer Service Manager, Susan DiBattisa was mentioned in this publication
- Part of the Library Technician Conference will be held at the NFPL Victoria Location on May 3, 2019. We will be the location for their Makerspace Day
- Pending contract review, NFPL will be signing with OECM, a Not-For-Profit sourcing partner

MOTION: 2019-24 To accept the CEO report for March 20, 2019
MOVED BY: B. Ness
SECONDED BY: L. Ravesi
MOTION CARRIED

8) NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: 2019-25 That the *Occupational Health & Safety Policy* be approved as revised on March 20, 2019
MOVED BY: B. Ness
SECONDED BY: L. Ravesi
MOTION CARRIED

9) OTHER BUSINESS:

1. February 2019 Qualitative Statistics were provided for the Board's review
2. February 2019 Quantitative Statistics were provided for the Board's review
3. A departmental report for Community Development & Programming was submitted to the Board

1) ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm

NEXT MEETING
4:45PM
at Victoria Avenue Library

April 17, 2019

May 15, 2019

June 19, 2019