

NIAGARA FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
May 15, 2019
Victoria Avenue Library Board Room

PRESENT: A. Andres-Jones (Chair), J. Anstruther (Vice-Chair), C. Ioannoni (Councillor), K. Letourneau, L. Ravesi, K. Tsiantoulas

REGRETS: B. Ness, T. Tredwell

STAFF: A. Subnaik Kilgour, K. Rimnyak

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:55 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: 2019-35 To approve the agenda of May 15, 2019

Moved by: K. Letourneau

SECONDED BY: L. Ravesi

MOTION CARRIED

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: 2019-36 To accept the minutes of the regular meeting of April 17, 2019

Moved by: C. Ioannoni

SECONDED BY: A. Andres-Jones

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

3) CORRESPONDENCE

Pre-Audit Letter, Crawford Smith & Swallow LLP

Independence Letter, Crawford Smith & Swallow LLP

Signed Engagement Letter, Crawford Smith & Swallow LLP

Budget changes to SOLS and OLS-N, Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport

NFPL to Local Government Policy Branch Re: Regional Review of Niagara

Deputation at Public Consultation for Regional Review – Niagara
Letter to Mayor and Niagara Falls City Council Re: Chippawa Library

MOTION: 2019-37 To accept the correspondence of May 15, 2019
MOVED BY: C. Ioannoni
SECONDED BY: K. Letourneau
MOTION CARRIED

4) BOARD EDUCATION

Board Governance Training – June 8th HPL Central Branch

5) ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Fort Erie Public Library: Ford government's library budget cuts are far reaching | The Niagara Falls Review
5 Reasons Why It's Important to Fund Public Libraries | Mary Chevreau, Medium
Delivery service for libraries' books shelved | The St. Catharines Standard
MPP Sam Oosterhoff's office calls cops on library-loving seniors | The St. Catharines Standard
Federal Court sidesteps constitutional questions – for now – in Google 'right to be forgotten' case | The Chronicle Herald

5:15 pm J. Anstruther arrived

6) FINANCE COMMITTEE

a) The Library cheque registers were read into the minutes

April 1-15, 2019	\$51,793.15
April 16-30, 2019	\$37,596.61

MOTION: 2019-38 To accept the cheque registers of April 1-15 & 16-30, 2019.
MOVED BY: J. Anstruther
SECONDED BY: L. Ravesi
MOTION CARRIED

b) Operating Budget – actuals as at April 30, 2019

MOTION: 2019-39 To accept the financial reports of April 30, 2019
MOVED BY: J. Anstruther
SECONDED BY: C. Ioannoni
MOTION CARRIED

7) CEO REPORT

A. Subnaik Kilgour

- Hamilton Public Library is offering Board Training on June 8th, 2019
- Clarification on the SOLS budget cuts was provided along with its resulting effects
- SOLS e-resources and consortia purchases are still available

- The Library’s audit has begun, Board Members can expect to receive their confidential Risk Questionnaires
- A Library delegation of 3 Niagara Region libraries (Niagara Falls, NOTL, St. Cath) made a public deputation as part of the Regional Review – Niagara Public Consultation on May 1, 2019
- A package of letters of support from Niagara Region Libraries was submitted to the advisors at the public deputation

MOTION: 2019-40 To accept the CEO report for May 15, 2019
MOVED BY: K. Tsiantoulas
SECONDED BY: C. Ioannoni
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: 2019-41 To move into Committee-of-the-Whole
MOVED BY: C. Ioannoni
SECONDED BY: K. Letourneau
MOTION CARRIED

The Niagara Falls Public Library Board went “in camera” at 5:34 pm to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the board.

MOTION: 2019-44 To rise from Committee-of-the-Whole
MOVED BY: L. Ravesi
SECONDED BY: J. Anstruther
MOTION CARRIED

The “in camera” session was completed at 5:55 pm

8) OTHER BUSINESS:

1. April 2019 Qualitative Statistics were provided for the Board’s review
2. April 2019 Quantitative Statistics were provided for the Board’s review

9) ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm

NEXT MEETING
 4:45 PM
 at Victoria Avenue Library

June 19, 2019
 September 18, 2019
 October 16, 2019
 November 20, 2019