



## Library Board Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Admin Office

126 E. Main St.

Ionia, MI 48846

**November 15, 2022**

### Minutes

**Call to Order:** President Yeomans called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

**Members Present:** Stephanie Batista, Toni Ann Buys, Amy Fuller, Nancy Miller, Ashley Reisbig and Gale Yeomans

**Members Absent:** None.

**Guests:** None.

**Other Attendees:** Library Director Dale Parus, Manager of Library Operations Paula Wood and Union Representative Shanni Kerr

**Approval of Agenda:** **Motion** by Reisbig to approve the agenda, supported by Fuller. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** Public comment was given by Kathleen Cook and Linda Ciangi.

**Previous Minutes:** **Motion** by Batista to accept the October 19, 2022 meeting minutes, supported by Fuller. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Reports:** The October 2022 financial reports were received and filed.

**Director's Report & Statistics Report:** The Director's Report and October Statistical Report were received and filed.

#### **Committee Reports**

--*Finance Committee (Batista, Parus & Wood):* No report.

--*Personnel Committee (Yeomans, Buys & Parus):* Set date in late November.

--*Policy Committee (Miller, Buys, Parus & Kerr):* No report.

--*Building and Grounds Committee (Fuller, Reisbig & Parus):* Set meeting date in November.

--*Grant Committee (Yeomans, Batista & Parus):* No report.

#### **Continuing Business:**

--*Tax Tribunal Judgement:* The Michigan Tax Tribunal ruled in favor of the City of Ionia. If no further legal action is taken, ICL owes the City the 2021 taxes on the Mercantile Building and parking lot. From 2022 forward, ICL will be exempt from paying property taxes on those



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locations. **Motion** by Reisbig, supported by Miller to issue a check to pay the 2021 taxes on the Mercantile Building and Depot Street parking lot. Motion carried unanimously.

**Election Recap:** Parus presented the November 8, 2022 ICL Building Millage Vote and Voter Percentage Analysis.

**New Business:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**December Meeting:** Yeomans stated that in previous years the board has combined the November and December meetings and requested the board consider that option this year. **Motion** by Buys, supported by Reisbig to cancel the December meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:** **Motion** to adjourn by Fuller, supported by Batista. Motion carried unanimously. President Yeomans adjourned the meeting at 6:26 PM. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is 6 PM Wednesday, January 18 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the ICL in the administrative office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Wood  
Manager of Library Operations