## MONROE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

1. At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Monroe County Library System held on May 13, 2020, via Microsoft Teams Teleconference. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Calder at 5:07 p.m. Mr. Grodi declared that a quorum was available to participate.

Present: Cathe Calder, Vice-Chair; Mike Grodi, Secretary; Maryanne Bourque; and Beth LaPensee, Trustees, and Nancy Bellaire, Director

Excused: Bernie Smith, Chair

Staff: Barbra Krueger; Lou Komorowski; Tammy Suzor

A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to transact business.

- 2. Motion by Mike Grodi, supported by Beth LaPensee, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion by Maryanne Bourque, supported by Mike Grodi, to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.
- Public Comment Barbra Krueger thanked the board for their support and leadership during these difficult COVID times.
- 5. Consent Agenda None.
- 6. Committee Reports

**Finance Committee** – We have received about 59% of our projected income for this year, including about 72% of our tax levy. We have spent nearly 21.5% of our planned expenditures with 25% of the year complete.

Facilities Committee – No meeting.

**Policy and Personnel Committee** – No meeting.

**Technology Committee** – No meeting.

Woodlands Update – No meeting.

**Legislative Update** – The board discussed a video meeting sponsored by the Michigan Township Association that discussed the likely budgetary consequences for Michigan in 2020-21 due to COVID.

7. Unfinished Business – Tax Tribunal Appeal Cost Sharing. No update.

- 8. New Business–Motion by Mike Grodi, supported by Maryanne Bourque, to approve bills for the month ending March 31, 2020, in the amount of \$203,232,88. Motion carried. Motion by Mike Grodi, supported by Maryanne Bourque, to approve the draft reopening steps and authorize Nancy Bellaire to modify staffing and service as needed to respond to changing conditions. Motion carried.
- 9. Director Bellaire shared more information about the stages for opening post the statewide closure for COVID. She said that Community Librarians will be working with their local fire departments to determine new occupancy limits for our eventual reopening to the public. Ms. Bellaire reported that a new task forces has been formed to coordinate additional online programs since our Stay at Home order has been extended. Some of this online programming will continue after we reopen to the public. She also reported that the May MAPERS conference has been cancelled.
- 10. Board Comments

Maryanne Bourque thanked Nancy Bellaire for hosting the virtual meeting and said that she enjoyed it very much. Mike Grodi said to stay safe and to not be in a rush to open at the expense of safety. Beth LaPensee complimented the staff on the online programs and patron engagement. She said that they have been a joy to watch. Cathe Calder thanked the board for meeting and said that it was great to see everyone.

- 11. Public comment—None.
- 12. Announcements

Date of Next Board Meeting – Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 5 p.m. at the South Rockwood Branch Library, 5676 Carleton Rockwood Rd, South Rockwood, MI.

13. Adjournment

Motion by Mike Grodi, supported by Maryanne Bourque to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Grodi, Secretary

Cathe Calder, Vice- Chair