

Benton Harbor Public Library Board Meeting
May 17, 2022

Minutes

PRESENT:

Mamie L. Yarbrough: Board President, Treasurer, and Member of the Finance Committee
Richard S. Hensel: Board Vice President and member of the Finance Committee
Board Members: Ethel Clark-Griffin, Edward Isom, Marian Tripplett

Dr. Willie Lawrence, the Center for Better Health and Wellness
Gina Smith, the Center for Better Health and Wellness
Cameron Isom
James Gunter

ABSENT:

Larry Nielsen, Dyann Chenault

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by President Mamie Yarbrough

Presentation by the Center for Better Health and Wellness, Dr. Willie Lawrence and Gina Smith

A motion was made by Mr. Hensel and seconded by Ms. Tripplett to adapt the resolution to support the development of a partnership between the Mamie L. Yarbrough Benton Harbor Public Library and the Center for Better Health and Wellness in creation of Youth Program

ROLL VOTE:

Ms. Clark-Griffin	Yes
Ms. Tripplett	Yes
Ms. Yarbrough	Yes
Mr. Hensel	Yes
Mr. Isom	Yes

MOTION CARRIES

Minutes of April Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Isom and seconded by Mr. Tripplett to accept the April Meeting Minutes.

MOTION CARRIES

Monthly Bills for April

A motion was made by Ms. Clark-Griffin and seconded by Mr. Hensel to pay the April bills.

MOTION CARRIES

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Mr. Hensel and seconded by Ms. Clark-Griffin to accept the For Good Grant from Berrien Community Foundation \$10,000 for new computers.

MOTION CARRIES

A motion was made by Mr. Hensel and seconded by Ms. Tripplett to make the following Budget changes:

- a. Penal Fine - Raise line item 271-000-658-002 Penal Fines by \$20,000 and bring its total to \$147,349.25. This change is because we have a more accurate estimation of Penal Fine payment amounts (I get a monthly update).
- b. Maintenance - Move \$1500 from line item 271-790-933-000 Building Maint. - Plumb, Elect taking its total from \$16,000 to \$14,500 and move it to line item 271-790-932-025 Building Maint. - Repairs taking its total from 11,000 to \$12,500.
- c. Heat - Raise line item 271-790-923-000 Heat by \$1500 taking its total from \$14,700 to \$16,200. This is an overall increase in the budget.
- d. Internet - Take \$300 from line item 271-790-931-050 Pest Control taking its total from \$1800 to \$1500 and move it to 271-790-920-001 Internet taking its total from \$1550 to \$1850.
- e. General Restricted - Raise line item 271-792-956-005 688-G General Restricted by \$2000. This is an overall raise in the budget that will be offset by a reimbursement we will receive from the Library of Michigan for our Pop-up library project.

MOTION CARRIES

A motion was made by Mr. Isom and seconded by Ms. Tripplett to apply for a grant from the Sunrise Rotary in the amount of \$500 to update our equipment for programming for the teens and kids.

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A motion was made by Ms. Tripplett and seconded by Mr. Isom to accept Larry Nielsen's resignation.

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ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm.

Respectfully submitted by Administrative Secretary Yvette Moore.