



Aurora Public Library Board

MINUTES of MEETING

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

The Aurora Public Library Board held its regular meeting on June 19, 2024 in the MA Room (and via video conference).

Present: Christina Choo-Hum, John Clement (Vice Chair), Lauren Hanna, Adam Mobbs (Chair), Councillor Ron Weese

Regrets: Councillor John Gallo, Greg Smith

Chief Executive Officer: Bruce Gorman

Staff: Mario Baleno, IT Manager; Victora Dillon, Manager Collections and Access; Maida Rae, HR Coordinator/EA (recorder); Julie Rocca, Business Manager

The Chair called the meeting to order at 07:07 p.m.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: **24.03.23**

THAT the agenda be approved

Moved by: C. Choo-Hum

Seconded by: J. Clement

CARRIED

2. Disclosure of Interest

3. Presentation

.1 Maria Khoushnood, Lead Audit Engagement Partner
KPMG Enterprise

Re: 2023 Audited Financial Statements and SR2024.11

Adam Mobbs welcomed Maria Khoushnood, Lead Audit Engagement Partner of KPMG Enterprise to present the 2023 Audited Financial Statements via zoom.

MOTION: **24.03.24**

THAT the Audited Financial Statements as of December 31, 2023 be approved

Moved by: L. Hanna

Seconded by: C. Choo-Hum

CARRIED

Councillor Ron Weese joined the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Chair A. Mobbs thanked Business Manager J. Rocca for her work on the audit.

4. Approval of Minutes:

.1 Regular meeting of May 15, 2024

MOTION: **24.03.25**

Moved by: L. Hanna

Seconded by: J. Clement

CARRIED

THAT the Minutes of the May 15, 2024 regular meeting be approved

5. Library CEO Updates

.1 **CEO Updates**

A verbal report was provided at the meeting.

MOTION: **24.03.26**

Moved by: Councillor R. Weese

Seconded: C. Choo-Hum

CARRIED

THAT the Library CEO Updates be received as information

The CEO provided a verbal update of recent meetings and events.

B. Gorman and J. Rocca recently attended the Town's Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting, providing an in depth review of the Library's budget. Thank you to A. Mobbs and L. Hanna for attending on behalf of the Library Board and to Councillor R. Weese for his work on the Town's FAC.

B. Gorman was invited to attend an Aurora Town Square (ATS) donor recognition event.

Collective Bargaining with the Library's CUPE 905.02 employee group continues. The Board will be updated throughout the process.

B. Gorman attended an Association of Medium-sized Public Libraries Ontario (AMPLO) meeting to share best practices and connect on key issues facing similar libraries.

B. Gorman followed up on concerns expressed at the Library Board's May meeting about assisted parking. Currently, there are two (2) assisted parking spaces reserved in the plaza north of the Library on Yonge Street. The Town will ensure tenants of the plaza are aware that these are designated spaces. There are four (4) designated parking spaces on Victoria Street for ATS and three (3) spaces on Church Street. There will be two (2) spaces near our entrance and five (5) additional spaces in the parking lot when it opens to the public.

The Library is once again working with York Region as a designated warming and cooling centre. During the current heat advisory, APL is posting through our social media channels that the Library spaces are available for individuals looking for relief from the heat.

Once again, the Library is a destination for high school students during exam time. On June 18th, a new single day record was set with 2322 in person visitors to our spaces.

6. General Business Information/Questions

.1 *APL Updates and Aurora Town Square Stakeholder Updates*

Articles, photographs and the Town Square Stakeholder update were issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **24.03.27**
Moved by: L. Hanna
Seconded by: C. Choo-Hum
CARRIED

THAT the APL Updates and the Aurora Town Square Stakeholder Update be received as information

Newspaper articles and media coverage from late May to mid-June highlighted APL’s programs and services.

The Town of Aurora provided an update on the Aurora Town Square construction project in an email to the Board.

7. Member Announcements

APL Board Chair A. Mobbs has started an advocacy group called Aurora Cares – Housing for All.

A. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

B. Adjournment

MOTION: **24.03.28**
Moved by: C. Choo-Hum
Seconded by: L. Hanna
CARRIED

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

A. Mobbs
Chair

B. Gorman
Chief Executive Officer