

Aurora Public Library Board

MINUTES of MEETING

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

The Aurora Public Library Board held its regular meeting on September 18, 2024 in the MA Room (and via video conference).

Present: Christina Choo-Hum, Lauren Hanna, Adam Mobbs (Chair), Greg

Smith, Councillor Ron Weese

Regrets: John Clement (Vice Chair), Councillor John Gallo

Chief Executive Officer: Jodi Marr, Chief Executive Officer (Acting)

Staff: Mario Baleno, IT Manager; Victora Dillon, Manager Collections and

Access; Maida Rae, HR Coordinator/EA (recorder); Julie Rocca,

Business Manager, Polly Ross-Tyrrell, Manager, Customer

Opportunity (Acting)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 07:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: **24.05.35 THAT** the agenda be approved

Moved by: C. Choo-Hum Seconded by: G. Smith

CARRIED

2. Disclosure of Interest

3. Approval of Minutes:

.1 Regular meeting of June 19, 2024

.2 Special meeting of August 12, 2024

MOTION: **24.05.36** Moved by: L. Hanna

Seconded by: C. Choo-Hum

CARRIED

THAT the Minutes of the June 19, 2024 regular meeting and August 12, 2024 special meeting be approved

4. Reports

- .1 Second Quarter Operations Report SR2024.12
- .2 Second Quarter Use Indicators Report SR2024.13
- .3 Financial Statement for the Period Ending June 30, 2024 Report SR2024.14

Staff reports were issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **24.05.37**Moved by: G. Smith
Seconded by: L. Hanna

CARRIED

THAT the Second Quarter Operations Report to June 30, 2024 be received as

information, and

THAT the Aurora Public Library Board receives the Second Quarter Use Indicators Report to June 30, 2024 as

Information, and

THAT the Aurora Public Library Financial Statement for the period ending June 30, 2024 be received

5. Items for Consideration

.1 Ontario Minimum Wage Increase Report SR2024.15

A staff report was issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **24.05.38**Moved by: C. Choo-Hum
Seconded by: G. Smith

CARRIED

THAT a new salary schedule based on the new provincial minimum wage requirements be applied to the Library Page group effective October 1, 2024

A recorded vote was requested by the Chair.

Adam Mobbs No
Greg Smith Yes
Christina Choo-Hum Yes
Councillor Ron Weese Yes
Lauren Hanna No

6. <u>Library CEO Updates</u>

.1 CEO Updates

A verbal report was provided at the meeting.

MOTION: **24.05.39 THAT** the Library CEO Updates be

Moved by: Councillor R. Weese received as information

Seconded by: G. Smith

CARRIED

Acting CEO J. Marr provided a verbal update of recent meetings, events and items of interest.

There is a virtual conference Library Board members may wish to attend, through Ontario Public Library Service. Details will be emailed out and Board members are encouraged to attend.

There are three recent internal promotions, Acting Manager, Customer Opportunity, Children's Librarian (Acting), and a Customer Service Coordinator. There is also a new Information and Programming Specialist and a Contract Librarian starting next month.

J. Marr presented at the Aurora Economic Development Committee lunch, along with the representatives from the Aurora Cultural Centre, Business Improvement Association, Aurora Town Square. Following her presentation, she was invited to speak at an upcoming Chamber event and to join the Community Tourism Plan. The Library Board is invited to the inaugural performance at Aurora Town Square. Invitations will be emailed. J. Marr and A. Mobbs will represent the Board at preperformance cocktails.

Construction on the outdoor book drop is scheduled for late September/early October. Staff are also requesting estimates for RFID gates on the second floor and are reviewing a staff service point in that area.

7. 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: **24.05.40**Moved by: C. Choo-Hum
Seconded by: G. Smith

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

CARRIED

Newspaper articles and media coverage from summer months highlighted APL's programs and services.

The Town of Aurora provided their monthly updates (July and August) on the Aurora Town Square construction project in an email to the Board.

8. Member Announcements

The term appointment for Library Board members was discussed. There was assurance from the Town that Library Board appointments would remain four year terms for citizen representatives.

Town of Aurora CAO Doug Nadorzny has agreed to participate in the Library CEO recruitment process. A formal invitation and follow up is required.

G. Smith asked if aligning service hours between the Library and Aurora Town Square had been discussed. Currently that would mean adding service hours Friday nights and Sunday mornings.

9. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: **24.05.41**Moved by: Councillor R. Weese
Seconded by: L. Hanna
CARRIED

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

A. Mobbs

Chair

J. Marr

Chief Executive Officer (Acting)