

MAPLEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

7550 Lohmeyer Ave.

Maplewood, MO

September 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were

T. Alexander

H. Benz

T. Durham

J-E Hansen

J. Kremer

G. LaRose

E. Loveless

K. Nithya

Staff present:

T. Donnelly

A quorum was present and due notice had been given.

AGENDA ITEM 2

Approval of Minutes

M/S/C (Kremer, Benz) unanimously to approve the minutes of the 8/21/19 meeting.

M/S/C (Loveless, Durham) unanimously to approve the minutes of the 9/3/19 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 3

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

AGENDA ITEM 4

Communications

AGENDA ITEM 5

Treasurer's Report

The reports for June, July and August were presented. There was discussion of the \$21,000 shortfall in the last fiscal year's actual expenditures, and ways to avoid this in the current budget.

M/S/C (Kremer, Loveless) unanimously to approve the reports for June, July and August.

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Librarian's Report

Donnelly reported on several purchases (2 circulating binocular kits for \$270, new laptop for \$497) and repairs (HVAC pumps and bearings for \$3425, 4 library wall clocks for \$160), also that all the MRH yearbooks in the Library's collection have been scanned (at a cost of \$345; the service is no longer free) although not added to the on-line archive yet. He reported that the Maplewood Lions have set up a display in the foyer offering reading glasses for use in the Library and also collecting old glasses for their international vision program.

AGENDA ITEM 7

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

AGENDA ITEM 8

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

AGENDA ITEM 9

New Business

Tax rates for 2019

The rates went down from those reported at the Public Hearing in August, after post-Board of Equalization adjustments.

Loveless introduced a resolution setting the following rates for 2019:

General Fund

Residential property \$0.218

Commercial property \$0.282

Personal property \$0.302

Debt Service Fund

All classes \$0.125

Alexander seconded the resolution; the resolution was passed by common acclaim.

October Meeting Time

The Board agreed by consensus to start the October meeting at 7:45 pm, to allow Donnelly to make the Library presentation at the Fall Citizen's Academy.

Committee Assignments

Hansen made appointments to the following standing committees:

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Personnel: Benz, Hansen, Loveless

Policy: Alexander, Durham, Kremer

Community Engagement: Durham, Hansen, LaRose, Nithya

And the following ad-hoc committees:

Fund-Raising: all the members of Community Engagement

Salary Revision: Hansen, Nithya

AGENDA ITEM 10

Motion to hold a Closed Session

M/S/C (Benz, Alexander) unanimously to hold a Closed Session to discuss matters relating to litigation, legal actions and/or communication from the City Attorney as provided for in Section 610.021(1)RSMO.

The Board exited Closed Session at 7:50 pm.

AGENDA ITEM 11

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Board will be on 10/16/19, at 7:45 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

AGENDA ITEM 12

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Kripanidhi Nithya Jon-Erik Hansen  
Secretary President