

Special September Meeting minutes of the Slinger Community Library Board
Monday, September 23, 2024

The meeting of Slinger Community Library Board of Trustees of the Village of Slinger was called to order by Library Board President Marlyss Thiel at 218 Slinger Road, Slinger, WI at 4:30pm on September 23, 2024 in accordance with Notice of Meeting delivered to members on September 20, 2024.

Roll Call and Confirmation of Open Meetings Law:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Marlyss Thiel	X	
Donna Moldenhauer	X	
David Waterman(excused)		X
Jane Hignite	X	
Beth Lighthizer	X	
Katherine Tobey	X	
Kent Voll	X	
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Also present:

Leslie Schultz, Library Director
Margaret Wilber, Village Administrator
Scott Stortz, Village Board President
Ken Reiser, Fundraising Committee Chairperson
Jodi Sweeney, Sweeney Group Fundraising Consultant

I. Open for Public Comment:

- Scott Stortz introduced Ken Reiser as the Fundraising Committee Chairperson and Jodi Sweeney, Sweeney Group Fundraising Consultant
- Scott Stortz updated the library board on the police department project and timeline and the library expansion
- Ken Reiser introduced himself, his experience working with capital projects, and shared what his role will be on the fundraising campaign

II. Go into closed session pursuant to authorization conferred by Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Library Fundraising Feasibility Study Report)

Motion by Tobey/Hignite to go into closed session at 5:05pm and include Margaret Wilber, Scott Stortz, Ken Reiser, and Jodi Sweeney. A roll call was taken. Yea's: Thiel, Hignite, Voll, Moldenhauer, Tobey, Lighthizer. Nay's: None. Passed Unanimously

III. Return to Open Session and Take Action if Necessary

Motion Lighthizer/Voll to return to open session at 5:35pm. A roll call was taken. Yea's: Thiel, Hignite, Voll, Moldenhauer, Tobey, Lighthizer. Nay's: None. Passed Unanimously

Motion by Voll/Lighthizer to approve the Library Fundraising Feasibility Study and to move forward with phase II, phase III, and phase IV of the Sweeney Group's Proposal and Agreement for Fundraising Consulting Services. Motion carried.

IV. New Business

A. FEH Architect presentation

Gregg Baum, Sarah Jansen, and Christy Monk from FEH shared information about their firm and shared the process and timeline for the individual phases, assessment, engagement, conceptual design, in their proposal that was submitted to the library board.

V.Go into closed session pursuant to authorization conferred by Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility." (Director search/hire process, interim director selection)

Motion by Lighthizer/Hignite to go into closed session at 6:49pm and include Margaret Wilber. A roll call was taken. Yea's: Thiel, Hignite, Voll, Moldenhauer, Tobey, Lighthizer. Nay's: None. Passed Unanimously

VI. Return to Open Session and Take Action if Necessary

Trustee Thiel stated meeting with Administrator Wilber and Riti Grover, Monarch Library System Director to start the hiring process. Trustee Thiel stated the salary range of \$65,000-\$73,000 with an application deadline of November 6th.

Motion Lighthizer/Voll to return to open session at 6:02pm. A roll call was taken. Yea's: Thiel, Hignite, Voll, Moldenhauer, Tobey, Lighthizer. Nay's: None. Passed Unanimously

Motion by Voll/Moldenhauer to approve the Circulation Librarian and Youth Services Librarian to be co-interim directors during the vacancy of the library director position. Motion carried.

Motion by Moldenhauer/Tobey to approve a \$2.50 raise and to increase to 40 hours a week, as needed, starting on October 1st, for the Circulation Librarian to perform interim director duties. To approve \$2.50 raise, starting on October 14th, for the Youth Service Librarian to perform interim director duties. These increases will stay in place until the Library Board of Trustees deems necessary. Bonuses may be given in the future if interim director, fundraising, and capital campaign duties exceed expectations. Motion carried.

V. Announcements:

A. Next Meeting Date: Monday, October 14, 2024 at 4:30pm

VI. Adjourn Meeting

Motion by Lighthizer/Tobey to adjourn at 7:08pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Leslie Schultz, Library Director