



CITY OF ALLEN PARK

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION

8100 ALLEN ROAD

ALLEN PARK, MICHIGAN 48101

313-381-2425

May 2, 2007

Meeting Minutes

Attendance - Commissioners: Dean Hill, Ron Iris, Jack Rourke, Kim Siembor, and Miriam Winkler;

Librarians: Sandi Blakney and Karen Smith

Guests: Councilman - Gary Burtka, Cheryl Stan

Call to Order and USA Flag Pledge of Allegiance at 5:05 P.M.

Introductions of and to guests. "What are your summer plans?"

Approval of Agenda

- Motion / Second: Jack / Kim

Approval of Minutes and ready for web publication

- Motion / Second: Miriam / Kim - Passed

Report of the Librarian

- There was a police report of a potential problem this week.
- (See attached Report)

Report of Committees

Children and Young Adult

- The Garden club involved approximately 10 youth.

Budget and Finance

- Future State budget cuts of 50% or more were discussed. TLN in using its reserve fund to get through the rest of 2007. Delivery / Interlibrary loan program may be diminished. TLN is considering moving, We have received the last of our technical support visits.
- Jack will call Clemente and Sandi another State Library contact to ask the status of our state aid.
- Sandi presented documents comparing a .5 mil and .8 mil budget for 2008. The Commission reiterated its commitment to seek a .8 mill levy rate in order to keep staff and open to public time at least as high as it is currently. .8 mill request: Motion / Second: Ron / Kim - Passed
- We assigned commissioners and librarians to attend each of the next three "budget" meetings of the City Council. May 8th, 15th, 22nd.
- Dean will bring to the next meeting the complete info on possible fund raiser at Joe Louis Arena.
- The Rotary Foundation also has an annual \$1,000 grant we could look into.

Adults

- The Post Office will be holding a Passport Fair and an E-Bay sellers workshop this month.

Technology and Facility

- Michicard use and authorization in Wayne Co. Has now been placed on the Local Library level. We support the use of Michicards.

Communications

- Please add Councilman Gary Burtka to the email list (garyj163@yahoo.com) REMOVE THIS- LINE BEFORE WEB PUBLICATION.
- We are getting good press this month around the millage and Needs Assessment issues.

Unfinished Business

- Book Sale went well.
- The Hold Harmless Agreement we sought with City Sr Citizen's Housing is now in the hands of the lawyer and City Council. The housing office now has keys to our building for emergency use.
- Nothing new on the barricade.

New Business

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Public Comments

- Councilman Burtka called our attention to the ComCast commitment to provide free internet access to Libraries. Sandi will talk to TLN to see if our service with them is at risk.
- Cheryl Stanton reported on the book sale.

Handouts (Available in Commission proceedings binder at Library.)

- AGENDA; LIBRARIAN'S REPORT; CIRCULATION STATISTICS; YEAR TO DATE FINANCE REPORT;

Adjournment at 6:14 P.M.

Motion / Second: Kim / Miriam - Passed

Ronald L. F. Iris.

Allen Park Library Advisory Commission Secretary