



THE CITY OF RED DEER LIBRARY BOARD

**6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, 2024
Snell Auditorium**

Minutes

Present: Councillor Chad Krahn, Natalie Day Lazenby, Jerry Moore, Shelley Odishaw, Brian Quigg, Sabrina Samuel, Laura Thevenaz

Regrets: Gabriel Beck, Valdene Callin, Maureen McCall

Guests: Kath Hoffman, Safe Harbour

Staff Support: Shelley Ross (CEO), Michelle Hollebeke (minutes)

Welcome and Chair’s Remarks

Shelley Odishaw called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and welcomed Councillor Krahn to the Board.

Land acknowledgement: We acknowledge that the land we meet on today is located at the border of Treaty 6, to the North of the Red Deer River, and Treaty 7, to the South of the Red Deer River. We honour and respect the culture, ceremonies and stories of the many nations who made a home on these lands - including the Cree, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux, Iroquois, Dene, Ojibway, Saulteaux and Inuit - and that this area is a long-established meeting place of the Métis. We are grateful for the traditional knowledge-keepers: elders past, present and emerging. May we live with respect on this land and in peace and friendship with its people.

Conflict of Interest Declaration –none were declared

37. Approval of Agenda

a. MOTION: That the Board approve the agenda as amended by moving Item 43 to Item 38 with subsequent renumbering of items, and to move Strategic Discussion and Board Development items after agenda approval going forward.

MOORE / DAY LAZENBY CARRIED

38. Strategic Discussion and Board Development

- Safe Harbour Presentation: Kath Hoffman, Executive Director

39. Approval of Minutes from the April 24, 2024 Board Meeting

a. MOTION: That the Board approve the minutes from the April 24, 2024 Board meeting as presented.

DAY LAZENBY / THEVENAZ CARRIED

40. Report from Planning and Finance Committee

a. MOTION: Recommend to the Board that they accept the April 2024 financial statements as presented for information purposes only.

MOORE / KRAHN CARRIED

b. MOTION: Recommend to the Board that \$250,000.00 be moved into the Capital Replacement Reserve.

MOORE / KRAHN CARRIED

41. Report from Personnel and Administration Committee

- a. **MOTION:** Recommend that the Board adopt changes to the policy manual as presented.

THEVENAZ / DAY LAZENBY CARRIED

42. Report from The Friends of the Red Deer Public Library

- The Friends booksale was a success, with proceeds totalling \$4000.00
- Items were donated by Whisker Rescue Foundation after their garage sale

43. Information Items

- **Board Out and About –Board member advocacy reports (discussion)** – volunteering at the Friends’ booksale and meeting with Red Deer South MLA Jason Stefan to acknowledge funding and the state of libraries were discussed.

- **[April 2024 Monthly Highlights](#)**

- members congratulated Events and Innovation Manager Briana Ehnes and all contributors for their work with the Telus Storyhive project.

44. Adjournment

- Shelley Odishaw called the meeting to order at 8:28 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: June 26, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.