

**Great Falls Public Library
Board of Trustees
Monday April 21, 2008
4:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Mark Meyer, Ms. Judy Riesenber, Ms. Bunny Albers, and Ms. Sheila Kelly

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Penny Hughes-Briant

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Jim Heckel, and Ms. Korri Shupe

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

Mr. Meyer called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

I. CONSENT ITEMS

Ms. Kelly moved and Ms. Riesenber seconded the motion to approve the consent items as presented. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

II. OPERATING VOUCHERS

Ms. Riesenber moved and Ms. Kelly seconded the motion to approve the operating vouchers as presented. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

III. STAFF REPORT

None.

IV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Reviewed the budget summary of the proposed FY2008-09 budget. At this time, the expenses exceed the proposed revenue but there are a number of our revenue sources we are not sure of . One of these sources is the county and we have a meeting this week to get a better estimate of how much revenue we will receive from them. Our budget meeting with the new City Manager that was scheduled for April 23 has been moved to May 2.

The road construction in front of the library, closing off 2nd Ave N, will last until September.

The front plaza project is slowly proceeding. The architects have submitted the construction bid specifications, but these need to be reviewed by the City Planning Department and then the Department of Transportation before we can start the bid process. We are looking at June for the start of the construction.

Zak Zakovi is installing the copper piping to the water feature and once that is completely installed the arch will be complete. Once the front plaza is ready he will ship it up here from Bozeman and install it at the library.

The Friends of the Library book sale will start on May 15 here at the library. The Friends have done a great job organizing it and there is a huge selection of books.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None.

VI. BOARD REPORTS

Ms. Kelly asked how the conference, Can We Talk, turned out. Mr. Heckel explained that it turned out very good. There were approximately 100 participants and the budget came as projected. The Great Falls Development Authority is discussing trying to bring Pat Hughes back in the fall.

Ms. Riesenbergs asked how the MLA Conference turned out. Mr. Heckel said our staff did an excellent job and overall the conference went really well.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. PROPOSALS FROM TRUSTEES

None.

X. PROPOSALS FROM OTHERS

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment at 5:05 p.m.