

Lansing Public Library
Board of Trustees
Committee of the Whole Meeting
September 18, 2008
Minutes

President Tom Nowak called the meeting to order at 6:30 P. M.

Present: Carrie Appold, Tim Glinski, Cecilia Gonzalez, Laura Hyzy,
Tom Nowak

Absent: Mary Kern, Judy Koch

Also Present: Debbie Albrecht, Director
Joan Ridder, Administrative Asst.

Visitors: Patty Higgins

Approval of Minutes: Laura Hyzy moved and Carrie Appold seconded to approve the minutes from the October 25, 2007 Committee of the Whole Meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole took their annual walk-around tour of the building. Debbie informed the Board of the many improvements made to the building since last year's tour.

Debbie told the Board she is very grateful to the Public Works Dept. who came out last week to stripe the area on the east side of the library and restripe the parking spaces in front of the building.

Debbie commented that the exterior of the building looks much better now, thanks to Tony's hard work and the new power washer the library now owns. Tony also gave the planter and bike rack in front of the building fresh coats of paint.

Debbie has been in contact with Chesterfield Awning Company for a quote on replacing the worn lettering on the awning at the front entrance.

The Board commented that the landscaping looks better; the red wood chips are an attractive addition.

Debbie told the Board that we have many leaks in the atrium roof recently due to all of the rain. There are always roof leaks in the Technical Services Dept., also, and unfortunately, the roof is no longer under warranty.

In summary, Laura Hyzy commented that the building hasn't looked this good in years.

The Board agreed that several items should be addressed in the near future:

The north parking lot should be resurfaced. The Board asked Debbie to get a quotation before getting the job done.

Pricing should be obtained for the cost of painting the metal on the outside of the building and also power washing the high part the building on the north side.

Tony will cut down the two remaining trees located on the northwest parkway of the back parking lot.

A tree trimmer/arborist will be consulted about the large tree in front of the building that has the peeling bark.

Look into the cost of adhesive window covering for the high windows that go around the exterior of the building.

Look into the possibility of being able to use the Police Department's old electric sign when their new one is installed.

Tom Nowak commented that beautifying the Courtyard would be a good project for the Eagle Scouts.

Debbie said that she hopes that we will be able to use the money in the library's Reserve Fund to pay for the major painting job, but she would like to wait until next Spring when she will have a better picture financially.

Tom Nowak declared the September 18 Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Submitted by

Joan Ridder
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