

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library  
Board of Trustees**

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the Alpena County Library Board of Trustees was called to order on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at 4:00 pm. by President Joseph Garber.

**Present:**

Board of Trustees: Joseph Garber, Dustin Budd, Michelle Cornish, Quintin Meek

Staff: Jessica Luther, Beth DeCaire

Friends of the Library: Karen Grochowski

Absent: Mark Hunter

**Review and Approval of Minutes:** It was moved by Budd with support from Cornish to accept the minutes from the January 18, 2023, regular Meeting and Director Candidate interviews, and the January 30, 2023, special meeting. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report was reviewed, and Garber directed it to be filed as presented subject to final audit.

**Review and Approval of Bills:** It was moved by Meek and supported by Budd that both sets of bills as presented be approved. The motion passed.

**Friends of the Library Report:** Grochowski reported that the Friends are working on dates for the summer book sale.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Old Business:**

- A. **Director Search:** Cornish reviewed the scope of work proposal from Mortimore Consulting. It was moved by Budd with support from Meek to authorize Garber to sign the contract with Mortimore Consulting once a timeline has been established. The motion passed.
- B. **2024 Millage Renewal:** Luther shared the potential impact a .25 mill increase of the operating millage would have on services and operating expenditures. It was moved by Meek with support from Cornish to authorize Luther to form a millage committee and to begin work on an operating millage renewal campaign to include a .25 mill increase, totaling 1 mill. The motion passed. A formal resolution will need to be put forth at a future meeting to request placement on the February 2024 ballot.

**C. Policy Review:**

- a. **Inclement Weather Closing-** It was moved by Budd with support from Cornish to adopt the policy as presented. The motion passed.
- b. **Board Bylaws-** Luther presented a draft revision to the board bylaws. Garber stated that he and Luther will review the revisions and possibly have them reviewed by an attorney.
- c. **Nepotism Policy-** The board requested a revision allowing for board authorization of exceptions.

**New Business:**

- A. Election of Officers:** The following slate of officers was presented.

President- Joseph Garber  
Vice-President- Dustin Budd  
Treasurer- Quintin Meek  
Secretary- Michelle Cornish

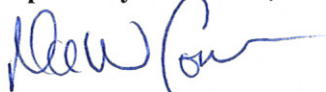
It was moved Cornish with support from Meek to adopt the presented slate. The motion passed.


**B. Other:**

- a. **April Regular Meeting-** Garber and Meek both stated they will be out of town the week of the April board meeting. The meeting will be rescheduled to April 26, 2023 at 4:00 pm.

**Adjournment:** It was moved by Budd with support from Meek to adjourn the meeting. President Garber declared the meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
**Michelle Cornish**  
Secretary

  
**Jessica Luther**  
Recording Secretary