

Lake Stevens Library Board

October 20, 2022

The meeting was hosted via Zoom and In Person (Hybrid) and called to order by Abe Martinez at 4:37 p.m.

In Attendance

Library Board: Abe Martinez, Shaelynn Charvet Bates, JoAnne Van Leuven, Emily Stainbrook, LeeAnn Balbirona

Sno-Isle: Chy Ross, Lindsay Hanson, Antoinette Morales-Tanner

Friends: Melissa Knaak

City Council: Mary Dickinson

City: Kelly Chelin, Troy S., Brett Gailey, Russ Wright

Guests: Matt Aalfs, Kate Weiland

Excused Absences: Melissa Maffeo, Andy Powers

Non-Excused Absences: None

Roll Call & Introductions: Note that Canace Barlow is not in attendance and will be moving.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

The Board approved by unanimous consent the minutes of the July 21, 2022 meeting as submitted. On vote the motion carried (10-0-0-0).

New Business:

- A. Two open seats on the Library Board. Both are mid term vacancies, expiring in 2023 & 2024. Instructions and applications for the vacancies are on the city's website.
- B. Status on Construction of New Library Building- move to reports

Reports

Friends of the Library: Melissa Knaak, President, said she will be stepping down from her role as president and moving to secretary. Dana B. will assume the role of president and James, vice-president. Aquafest book sales exceeded \$2000 and was well attended. They are looking to replicate the method of sales again next year. Advent sales are ongoing and doing well, exceeding \$2150 and 1500 books. New meeting day & time for FOL are forthcoming. Abe Martinez recognized FOL week of October 16-22 and noted the City Council acknowledged this at the previous meeting.

Lake Stevens Library Report: Antoinette Morales-Tanner prepared written report.

Sno-Isle Library Report: Chy Ross introduced the principal architects for the Chapel Hill/Lake Stevens library project: Matt Aalfs and Kate Weiland from Building Work. Currently the project is in the pre-design phase, moving to site work. Site analysis, wetlands location and survey work are complete.

Demolition permit being applied for soon. The design team is being selected. There will be opportunities upcoming for community engagement. Analysis of the site will determine timeline of construction.

Question from Mary Dickinson: What will happen to the rock? It is an icon at the site.

They see lots of opportunities to incorporate that into the landscape design.

Comment from Mary Dickinson: Ramps and access are very important with the disabled and young neighbors. Would like to see clearing on the land by years' end.

Matt Aalfs spoke to the need for the library to represent the community. Wetland's delineation is needed to determine square footage available for the building. There are also Lake Stevens parking requirements.

City of Lake Stevens report: Mayor Gailey stated that the adjacent Chapel Hill property received 3 proposals. The city will surplus the land, not use it for their own purposes. It is zoned commercial.

Comment from Shaelynn Charvet Bates: Please find a buyer that will compliment the library site. Mayor agreed.

Board Comments: Abe Martinez reminded all that the request for a crosswalk to the new library remains. Russ Wright commented that it is a major capital project, and it is not in current plans. Abe Martinez commented that the issue is being left for Sno-Isle Library to address.

Abe Martinez let Library Board know Melissa Maffeo will be stepping down as secretary and that position will need to be filled.

Adjournment:

LeeAnn Balbirona made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Joanne VanLeuven seconded it. (The motion passed unanimously) Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Next meeting: January 19, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.