GRAFTON-MIDVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2025

President Ted Schriver called to order the regular meeting of the Grafton-Midview Public Library Board of Trustees at 7:16 pm. Roll call: Joe Urig, Angela Carter, Mindy Harris, Evelyn Hemmingsen, and Ted Schriver. Library Director Adele Infante and Clare Gallaher attended via Zoom. Fiscal Officer Lorie Scheer and staff member John Kenny also attended. Corey Heredos arrived at 7:17 pm

Adjustments to the Agenda

None

Recognition of Visitors

Andrew Lipian, Village Administrator; and Maureen Stratton, Adult Services Supervisor

Comments by the President.

President Ted Schriver welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Public Comments

Andrew Lipian, Village Administrator, announced the addition of new benches on Main Street and in several nearby parks. He also verified upcoming events including Celebrate Grafton on July 5, Dumpster Day on July 8, Trash to Treasure on June 14, and Beautify Grafton on May 17.

Meeting Minutes

Joe Urig moved, and Mindy Harris seconded to accept Resolution #25-5-1, approving the minutes to the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting on April 9, 2025. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Lorie Scheer reviewed the following financial reports at the meeting: Bank Report, Revenue Report, Expense Report, and Check Register for April 2025. Discussion followed.

Adele extended the lease for the Eaton branch through the end of 2025. The Board must vote in November to extend this lease further. Discussion followed.

Mindy Harris moved, and Evelyn Hemmingsen seconded, to accept Resolution #25-5-2, approving the financial reports from April 2025 as received, reviewed, and ready to file for audit. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Director's Report

Adele Infante hired Teresa Schubert as Administrative Assistant at \$18/hour and 20/hours per week.

Adele provided information about promoting the Eaton Branch to nearby housing developments. North Eaton Christian Church agreed to host several programs in its meeting room. Discussion followed.

Library Programming

Maureen Stratton, Adult Services Supervisor, distributed information to the Board on library programming for seniors, including the recent Lifelong Learning programs at the library and now Lunch & Learn programs at North Eaton Christian Church. The church is working with Nancy's Diner to provide lunch on program days there. Adult Services is also planning a Square Dancing event at the Grafton Township Hall in September.

Committee Reports

Building Committee: No updates.

Finance Committee: No updates.

Personnel Committee: No updates.

Social Committee: Clare Gallaher confirmed plans for a May 21 staff lunch.

Planning Committee: Adele reviewed information from Studio GC that visualizes expansion options for the library at its present location. Discussion followed.

Midview Board of Education

Mindy Harris reported on topics discussed at the April meeting including personnel changes, property acquisition, and state legislation and its impact on their budget.

Old Business

Lease extension at the Eaton branch needs attention in the coming months.

New Business

Lorie Scheer offered financial considerations and levy options in anticipation of state budget changes and its effects on the Public Library Fund. Discussion followed.

Ted Schriver agreed to lead the committee for a November tax levy. He intends to put together a political action committee by the next meeting. Lorie Scheer plans to pull financial information to prepare for this initiative. Discussion followed.

Angela Carter moved, and Corey Heredos seconded, to accept Resolution # 25-5-3, to purchase the Coffman property at 963 Main Street for \$75,000. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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None

Adjournment

Ted Schriver adjourned the regular meeting at 9:20 pm.

Attest