

**NIAGARA FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2022
Victoria Avenue Library LaMarsh Room**

PRESENT: J. Anstruther (Vice-Chair), L. Lococo, B. Ness, T. Tredwell, K. Tsiantoulas
REGRETS: A. Andres-Jones (Chair), K. Letourneau, D. Parakh
STAFF: A. Subnaik Kilgour, K. Rimnyak

Meeting was Chaired by J. Anstruther (Vice-Chair)

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 1:05 pm

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT WAS READ INTO THE MINUTES

The Chonnonton people have called these lands where we are gathering home for thousands of years and more recently, the Anishnaabe and the Haudenosaunee have been sharing the land as One Dish, One Spoon Treaty territory. We would like to acknowledge the enduring resilience of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit people who call this territory home.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: 2022-101 To approve the agenda of the December 12, 2022 Board Meeting
MOVED BY: B. Ness
SECONDED BY: K. Tsiantoulas
MOTION CARRIED

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. Minutes of November 16, 2022 Board Meeting

MOTION: 2022-102 To accept the regular minutes of November 16, 2022
MOVED BY: L. Lococo
SECONDED BY: B. Ness
MOTION CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Payment notification for the Public Library Operating Grant
- 5.2. Customer appreciation email
- 5.3. Thank you card from A. Andres-Jones
- 5.4. OLS Let's Talk Libraries – Perspectives and Policies of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

MOTION: 2022-103 To accept the correspondence of December 12, 2022

MOVED BY: K. Tsiantoulas

SECONDED BY: T. Tredwell

MOTION CARRIED

6. BOARD INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

- 6.1. FOPL & OLA - Bill 23 - Submission to the Standing Committee on Heritage Infrastructure and Cultural Policy
- 6.2. Ontario News Release - Ontario Taking Next Steps to Expand Strong Mayor Powers and Tackle the Housing Supply Crisis
- 6.3. Ontario News Release - Ontario Moving Forward with Bold Action to Address the Housing Crisis
- 6.4. AMPLO/ARUPLO Meeting on December 2, 2022
- 6.5. Updated OLS Governance Hub Documents
 - 6.5.1. 10 Things to Know About Being a Library Board Member
 - 6.5.2. Appointed to the Library Board? What you need to know as a municipal councilor
- 6.6. NFPL External Assessment Report

7. ARTICLES OF INTEREST

7.1. Niagara Falls Public Library

7.1.1. Support from Niagara Falls community helps keep library going | NiagaraThisWeek

7.1.2. Public encouraged to help Niagara Falls Public Library develop future goals | Niagara Falls Review

7.2. Other

7.2.1. Bradley back as chair, as province set to reassess Niagara's two-tier governance model | The Niagara Independent

7.2.2. Niagara lands private university | Niagara Falls Review

7.2.3. The University of Niagara Falls Canada ready to offer world-class, digitally-minded education from the heart of Niagara Falls | Global University Systems Canada

7.2.4. What Ontario new housing bill might mean for Niagara cities | Thorold Today

7.2.5. Three former mayors of Toronto on why the More Homes Built Faster Act disempowers municipalities – and needs a serious rethink before proceeding | Toronto Star

7.2.6. Budgets must drive community well-being | Municipal World

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE

8.1. 2023 Library Capital Budget Report to Council

8.2. 2023 Proposed Operating Budget

A. Subnaik Kilgour and K. Rimnyak presented the 2023 proposed operating budget .

MOTION: 2022- 104 To approve the 2023 proposed operating budget as presented at the December 12, 2022 regular board meeting.

MOVED BY: B. Ness

SECONDED BY: T. Tredwell

MOTION CARRIED

9. CEO REPORT

9.1. December 2022

A. Subnaik Kilgour presented the December 2022 CEO Report

Information and updates were provided on the Stamford Library, community space rentals, fundraising and Bill 23.

MOTION: 2022-105 To accept the CEO report of December 12, 2022

MOVED BY: B. Ness

SECONDED BY: L. Lococo

MOTION CARRIED

10. OTHER BUSINESS

The following items were provided for the Board’s review:

10.1. November 2022 Qualitative Statistics

10.2. November 2022 Quantitative Statistics

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 pm

NEXT MEETING

January 18, 2023