

MIDLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 13, 2008

LOCATION: Midland Public Library Boardroom

PRESENT: A. Campbell, V. Barycky, G.A. Walker, V. Nihill, J. LeFebvre, C. Moore, P. File (Stayed at Council. Arrived late just after meeting adjourned)

REGRETS: B. Desroches, J. Swick

STAFF: G. Griffith, Recording Secretary, B. Molesworth, CEO

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1.	Call to Order G.-A. Walker called the meeting to order at 7:47 p.m.	
2.	Approval of the agenda Additions: 3. Approval of the Minutes 3.1 Report from the Building Committee Meeting of October 15, 2008. 8. Information 8.2 Letter from George Smitherman Moved by: V. Barycky Seconded by: V. Nihill That the agenda be approved, as amended.	CARRIED
3.	Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting Moved by: J. LeFebvre Seconded by: V. Barycky That the minutes of the Board meeting held on October 9, 2008 be approved. 3.1 Report from the Building Committee Meeting of October 15, 2008 G.-A. Walker read the recommendation from the Building Committee regarding the acceptance of the Contractor with the lowest bid. V. Nihill asked if we could go back to the contractor to see if a lower price could be achieved. B. Molesworth stated that Architect, J. Knibb had already approached the contractor who is willing to work with us in trying to keep costs down, but his costs are his costs and he can't be expected to lose money. V. Barycky asked if cutting the furniture budget was a possibility. B. Molesworth said although he is willing to keep using his old desk, the public's expectation of a new building is that it will look good. Also, shelving is included in the furniture line so it's difficult to	CARRIED

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3.	<p>Report from the Building Committee - continued</p> <p>cut. G.-A. Walker called for a motion to accept the Building Committee's recommendation.</p> <p>Moved by: C. Moore Seconded by: J. LeFebvre That the Board adopt the recommendation of the Building Committee dated October 15, of Monteith as the lowest bidder.</p>	CARRIED
4.	<p>Business arising from the minutes</p> <p>4.1 Discussion Regarding Special Meeting B. Molesworth will call Town Treasurer, S. Gignac in the morning and provide any numbers she needs to comply with Council's request. B. Molesworth will also be meeting with CAO, T. Walker and the Treasurer early next week.</p> <p>4.2 Capital Fundraising Campaign – Jennifer Abell B. Molesworth reported that he has not been able to contact Jennifer Abell, the fundraiser that had previously offered to help us. He will try again but he was hoping to get an idea of how much she thought we might try to raise. Collingwood Public Library has been very successful in their fundraising efforts. B. Molesworth will contact Collingwood and ask who they used.</p> <p>4.3 Sod Turning Deferred.</p>	
5.	<p>Approval of the accounts</p> <p>C. Moore asked about the money owing from the Friends of the Midland Public Library to help bring Kimberley Seldon here for a fundraiser. B. Molesworth replied that we will be paid back from the proceeds of the event.</p> <p>Moved by: A. Campbell Seconded by: V. Nihill That the accounts for the month of October 2008 totalling \$158,898.87 be approved.</p>	CARRIED

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6.	<p>Reports of Board Committees</p> <p>6.1 Finance Committee A. Campbell distributed the Library Financial Statement for the Ten Months Ending October 31, 2008. At 83% spent, we are about where we should be for this time of year. G.-A. Walker asked if there were any questions or comments. The Finance Committee report was adopted.</p> <p>6.2 Fundraising Committee B. Molesworth is pursuing several possible avenues. V. Barycky informed the Board that she has been asked to sit on the Ontario Early Years Centre Board. She suggested that perhaps a letter of support from them, about the importance of the roll of the Library in the community, promoting literacy and such, might be helpful.</p> <p>6.3 Building Committee – Schedule Deferred.</p> <p>6.4 Report from the Friends of the Midland Public Library – Evening with Kimberley Seldon Garden Tour The Kimberley Seldon event was enjoyable but we will be lucky to break even. The final financial tally is not yet available.</p> <p>Myrna Neilsen and B. Molesworth will be meeting with the Garden Tour Committee on Sunday, November 16, 2008. The property/garden owners will also be present. The next Friends meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2008.</p>	
7.	<p>New business</p> <p>No new business.</p>	
8.	<p>Information</p> <p>8.1 Chief Librarian’s Report Adopted.</p>	

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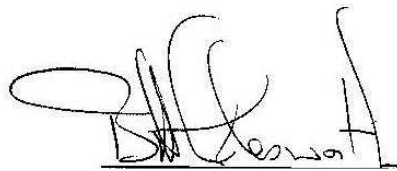
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8.	<p>Information - continued</p> <p>8.2 Letter from George Smitherman B. Molesworth read a letter he received from Minister Smitherman congratulating us on our successful application and Library Expansion project. He went on to write about the importance of libraries in a community.</p> <p>It was suggested that the letter be sent to the newspapers. B. Molesworth will speak with Doug Glynn and Smitherman's office.</p>	
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9.	<p>Adjournment</p> <p>Moved by: C. Moore That the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.</p>	
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Chairman of the Board



Chief Librarian