

Franklin Public Library  
Board Meeting Minutes  
July 11, 2024

1. Call to order by Sue Stevens, President, at 6:35 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** Members Present: Sue Stevens, Rick David, Kate Barron, and Katy Hagaman. Members Absent: Janice Cherkasky and Robin Rosen
3. **Approve Agenda:** The agenda was distributed. The agenda was reviewed, seconded, and approved.
4. **Minutes:** The minutes as distributed by the secretary were reviewed, seconded, and approved.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Rick David
  1. Budget amendment resolution. The attached budget amendment was presented by the Treasurer and opened for discussion. After a spirited discussion, the amendment was approved.
  2. Board resolution regarding auditor selection in August.
    - The Treasurer presented the attached resolution regarding the timing of the auditor selection in light of the lack of an August Board meeting. After discussion, the Board approved the resolution as presented.
6. **Librarian's Report:** Teresa Natzke
  1. Teresa presented her monthly library report. The Franklin Library continues to be a staple of the community with events and activities enjoyed by all. Two hundred people have signed up for the Bi-Centennial Franklin Community Picnic, hosted by the Franklin Library, FCA, and Franklin Historical Society.
  2. Kate Barron, Katy Hagaman, and Robin Rosen are up for re-election this year.
7. **Maintenance:** Teresa Natzke
  1. The handicap button on the back door has been installed.
  2. Gary Roberts will assist the Board in finding more favorable quotes for the office windows.
  3. Work on the roof will begin in August.
  4. Water continues to be an issue in the basement. A subcommittee will be formed to work on a solution to this issue. The subcommittee will consist of Sue Stevens, Robin Rosen, and Gary Roberts.
8. **New Business**
  1. Rick David proposed a Headlee Override ballot question to be added to the November 2024 election ballot to increase the Library's millage rate from .5982

to .8, Due to the ongoing Headlee Rollback, the Library's previously adopted millage rate of 1 mill has been continually reduced to a current rate of .5982. The proposed increase to .8 mills would result in additional revenue of approximately \$90,000. The Treasurer is also requesting authority to retain appropriate outside legal counsel to assist the board in this matter..

A roll call vote was taken:

-Sue Stevens- Yes

-Rick David- Yes

-Kate Barron- Yes

-Katy Hagaman- Yes

Motion was approved.

**(Note: If necessary, prior to our next monthly meeting in September 2024, the Board will hold a Special Meeting to approve the appropriate resolution(s) and ballot language)**

9. Public Comments: None.

10. Adjournment was proposed at 7:16pm.

The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting will be held on September 12, 2024.