VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND

Joint Village Board/Library Board Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 - 5:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER.**
   Village President Clow called the joint meeting of the McFarland Village Board and Library Board to order at 5:30 pm in the Community Room of the McFarland Municipal Center.
2. **ROLL CALL.**
   Village Board Members Present: Luke Fessler, Alisa Leamy, Carolyn Clow, Miguel Peña, Lowell Prill, Stephanie Brassington, and Hilary Brandt.

   Library Board Members Present: Ken Machtan, Evan Richards, Mona Nelson, Stacy Fritz, Karen Mandli, and Luke Fessler.

   Members Not Present: Peter Sobol (LIbrary Board).

   Staff Present: Village Administrator Matt Schuenke and Library Director Heidi Cox.
3. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES.**

   a. *This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Village Board for items that are not on the agenda. Please remember this is a hybrid meeting conducted in person and through the Zoom online meeting platform. Meeting attendees wishing to address the Board about items not on the agenda may do so at this time. Zoom attendees should type their name and address in the Question and Answer feature within the Zoom online meeting platform at this time. Members of the public who are present in person and wish to address the Board should fill out a public comment form and turn into the meeting chairperson. When you are called upon to speak, state your name, address, and provide your comments to the Board for their consideration. Please adhere to the 3-minute time limit. Additionally, you may send your public comments to village.clerk@mcfarland.wi.us to be included as part of the meeting.*

   Members of the public may also speak during their selected agenda item as they designate on the public comment form or in the Question and Answer feature on Zoom.
   1. Quinn Leonard residing at 6135 Exchange Street commended both boards for meeting together to talk about the importance of the library in the Community.
4. **BUSINESS.**

   a. *Discussion and overview of library operations.*
   Library Director Heidi Cox handed out their 2023 year in review and talked about the visitor county on how far their service outreach goes beyond the Village Borders. This aligns with the programs they offer to the items available for checkout. Programs are geared to a wide variety of needs within the Community to connect people with help in technology, speech, education, and many other topics. The boards discussed the impact of the services and the work commending the Library for its efforts. No further action was taken on this item.

   b. *Discussion regarding synergies and opportunities between the Library and the Village*

Board.

The Boards discussed the various needs of the Library going forward regarding operational and capital support. The objective was to understand those needs as the budget process begins this Fall and we think about our goals/objectives into the future. No action was taken on this item.

5. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Brandt, second by Peña, to adjourn at 6:25 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the public and posted on the public bulletin board in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Respectfully submitted,
Matthew G. Schuenke
Village Administrator