

Town of High River Library Board
Minutes
January 19, 2021

In attendance: Jim Graham, Eunice Schmuland, Mary Zazelenchuk , Pat Shorrocks, Lynne Thornton, Natacha Gougeon, Cathy Couey, Holly Ottewell

Regrets:

1. **Chair – Jim Graham** called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:00 pm
2. **Approval of Agenda** – Lynne moved to accept the agenda with the addition of 5.3 – Marigold Meeting
3. **Approval of the minutes** – Pat moved the minutes of the November meeting approved as circulated, 2nd Cathy – Carried
4. **Standing Committees**
 - 4.1 Finance and Planning Committee
 - No formal report
 - 4.2 Human Resources and Administration Committee
 - No Formal Report submitted
5. **Ad Hoc and External Report**
 - 5.1 Town of High River
 - COVID continues to impact services
 - Town Council continues to hold virtual meetings
 - Make good documents – gathering places initiative
 - Items that could be upgraded – Red Cross to fund
 - ie: Solar bench with Wifi & plug ins, Library Patio etc.
 - Property Tax auction to be held February 5m 2021 – 5 mobile homes that have back taxes greater than 2 years will be auctioned
 - High River Mayor Craig Snodgrass has, on behalf of council, sent letters to the Premier and Ministers in opposition to lifting the moratorium on open pit coal mines on the eastern slopes.
 - Word on the street is that 7-11 closed due to high rent – also all 7-11's now have to have a gas bar – they may reopen at a different location
 - The new bakery – BATCH will be opening soon
 - 5.2 Friends
 - No Formal report submitted

- Friends are holding a 50/50 Draw – draw was held on January 8, 2021
- Casino – did submit application for February 2021, on hold

5.3 Marigold

- Zoom meeting was held November 21, 2020
- Next Zoom meeting January 30, 2021

6. Librarian's Report

- Formal report submitted

7. Old Business

- None

8. New Business

8.1 Board Committee Confirmations/Appointments

- Finance and Planning Committee – Members
 - Jim Graham
 - Eunice Schmuland
 - Mary Zazelenchuk
 - Pat Shorrock
- Human Resources and Administration Committee – Members
 - Jim Graham
 - Mary Zazelenchuk
 - Lynne Thornton
 - Natacha Gougeon
 - Cathy Couey
 - Holly Ottewell
- Still 3 vacancies to fill
- Laura Byers has submitted her application
- Jim and Mary will meet with the Town on January 28, 2021 to discuss the Library Lease Agreement. **ACTION:** They will report back to Board

9. Correspondence

- PLSB (Public Library Services Branch) update – see attached

10. Adjournment – adjourned by Pat at 7:45 pm.

Next Meeting on February 16, 2021 – possible Zoom meeting

Jim Graham - Chair

Eunice Schmuland – Recording Secretary