

## MISSISSIPPI MILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

### MINUTES

#### Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Mississippi Mills Public Library Board was held on January 8, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. at the Almonte branch.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

#### 2. ATTENDANCE:

##### PRESENT:

Barbara Button, Chair  
Alison Ball  
Leanne Czerwinski, Vice-Chair (via Zoom)  
Emma Kinsman  
Jeff Fraser  
Vicki Lowe, Council Representative  
Mary Lumsden  
Cathy Peacock  
Warren Thorngate  
Christine Row, staff

##### ABSENT:

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

##### **Resolution No. 01-25**

**Moved by** M. Lumsden

**Seconded by** E. Kinsman

**THAT** the MMPLB approves the agenda with the addition of a review of the Library's Bank of Montreal account's annual transactions and an Investment Policy plan.

**CARRIED**

#### 4. DECLARATION OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

[None]

#### 5. DELEGATIONS OR PRESENTATIONS

[None]

#### 6. MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

##### **Resolution No. 02-25**

**Moved by** J. Fraser

**Seconded by** V. Lowe

**THAT** the MMPLB approves the November 20, 2024 and the December 16, 2024 minutes as amended.

**CARRIED**

7. CONSENT ITEM

a) Correspondence

[None]

b) Reports- CEO report, Friends update, 2025 Holiday Schedule

c) Incidents

[None]

**Resolution No. 03-25**

**Moved by** E. Kinsman

**Seconded by** C. Peacock

**THAT** the MMPLB accepts the consent items as presented.

**CARRIED**

8. UPDATES

a) Policy Review

[None]

b) Financial Review

Board reviewed the October 31, 2024 Financial Statement.

c) 2025 Operating Budget update

Council plans to discuss the 2025 budget on Tuesday, January 14th.

d) Board Advocacy- B. Button and L. Czerwinski will be attending the Ontario Library Association's Superconference at the end of the month.

9. FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION

a) MMPL Strategic Plan and 2024 Strategic Directions

The Board will begin preparations for a new strategic plan, which will be drafted before the end of the current term (2026). The Strategic Plan Working Group includes W. Thorngate, E. Kinsman, A. Ball, and B. Button.

11. OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

Bank of Montreal - annual transactions

The Board reviewed the list of annual transactions.

12. COMMUNICATIONS

Strategic planning to begin this year.

12. NEXT MEETING

February 12, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. at the Pakenham branch

13. ADJOURNMENT

**Resolution No. 04-25**

**Moved by** V. Lowe

**Seconded by** W. Thorngate

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

**CARRIED**