

# WELLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

## MINUTES

Minutes of the seventh regular meeting held on Monday, September 18, 2006 at the Welland Public Library.

PRESENT: Wayne DeMille, Joan Elliot, Fred Sullivan, Glen Johnston, Sherry Spark, George Giovinazzo, Paul Grenier. Staff: Janet Booth, Gina Marie Wilson

REGRETS: Melanie Gross-Kerho, Debbie Tomaino,.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by the Chair.

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of Pecuniary Interest.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Fred Sullivan  
Seconded by Paul Grenier

06:50 **That the Agenda be approved as circulated.** Carried.

3. In Camera Session

Moved by Paul Grenier  
Seconded by Glen Johnston

06:51 **That the Library Board move into Committee-of the Whole, closed to the public at 7:34 p.m. to consider:**  
**a) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including library employees; and**  
**b) the security of the property of the library board.**

Carried.

Moved by Fred Sullivan  
Seconded by George Giovinazzo

06:52 **That the Board arise from its closed meeting at 8:50 p.m.** Carried.

4. Minutes of June 19, 2006.

Moved by Glenn Johnston  
Seconded by Fred Sullivan

06:53 **That the Minutes of the June 19, 2006 regular meeting be approved as circulated.**

Carried.

5. Correspondence

- a) Lucille Roch, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Culture re update on Ministry restructuring.
- b) B. Silvestri, General Manager, Financial & Corporate Services/Treasurer re Approval of 2006 funding in the amount of \$1,413,930.
- c) Hon. Caroline Di Cocco, Minister of Culture re approval of Ministry of Culture's operating grant in the amount of \$83,969 and pay equity funding of \$61,909.
- d) Suzanne Rowe Knight, Manager, Libraries Unit, Ministry of Culture [email] re Review of Public Library Support (attached)
- e) B. Silvestri, General Manager/Financial & Corporate Services/Treasurer re 2007 Application for Financial Assistance and supporting information required to be submitted by October 31, 2006.

6. Financial Reporta) Payment of Invoices

Moved by Sherry Spark  
Seconded by George Giovinazzo

06:54 **That payment of invoices be approved as follows:**

<b>June</b>	<b>\$65,479.79</b>	
<b>July</b>	<b>\$76,588.80</b>	
<b>August</b>	<b>\$106,038.73</b>	Carried.

b) Financial Report

Moved by Sherry Spark  
Seconded by Glen Johnston

06:55 **That the Financial Report for August be received.**

Carried.

7. Chief Executive Officer's Report

The CEO informed the Board that "Niagara Reads Niagara" Will be celebrated in Niagara-area libraries during October. Copies of the flyer advertising the various events were distributed to Board members.

The CEO reported that several of the burned-out lights have been replaced at the Main library. The remainder of the lights need to have the ballasts replaced.

A meeting was held last week about the lease, and the library staff are waiting for what should be the final version which (hopefully) will come to the Board for approval in October.

Board members expressed their frustration that the City had proceeded to mount the plaques recognizing the construction/opening of the facility knowing there were spelling errors with some of the names. The CEO was instructed to write to the City requesting that corrections be made.

Board members were reminded that their term will expire in November. If they are interested in being re-appointed to the Library Board, they must apply in writing. This year the city is requiring all applicants to complete an application form.

Moved by Joan Elliott  
Seconded by Glen Johnston

06:56 **That the Chief Executive Officer's Monthly Report be received.**  
Carried.

Moved by George Giovinazzo  
Seconded by Glen Johnston

06:57 **That the Staff Report of the TD Summer Reading Program be received.**  
Carried.

Moved by George Giovinazzo  
Seconded by Fred Sullivan

06:58 **That the recommended changes to the Library Policy on Fees & Fines (AD-1-1.1) be approved.**  
Carried.

Moved by Sherry Spark  
Seconded by Joan Elliott

06:59 **That the proposed policy for Public Use of Display Cases (PS-4-4.2) be approved.**  
Carried.

8. SOLS Report

Moved by Sherry Spark  
Seconded by Paul Grenier

06:60 **That the SOLS report be received.**  
Carried.

9. Civic Square Committee

Wayne DeMille reported that, although the new Civic Square was built over a year ago, this committee continued to meet, and that he and CEO were still attending the meetings to get information on activities in the Civic Square. The new City Manager was to start this week and that he and the CEO will be requesting a meeting with him.

Moved by George Giovinazzo  
Seconded by Paul Grenier

06:61 **That the Minutes of the Civic Square Committee be received.**

Carried.

10. Other Business

a) Renewal of Extended Health Plan

Moved by George Giovinazzo

Seconded by Sherry Spark

06:62 **That the renewal form Richardson and Associates for the employee extended health benefit plan, October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007 be approved.**

Carried

b) Notice of Motion

Wayne DeMille gave Notice of Motion that proposed revisions to the Library Board By-laws be presented at the October 16, 2006 Regular Library Board Meeting.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Library Board will be held on Monday, October 16, 2006 at the Welland Public Library.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m. on a motion by Paul Grenier.

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Wayne DeMille, Chair

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Janet C. Booth, Secretary