

Thursday 04/09/2020

**Attended Via**

**Zoom:**

Submitted by S Wirth

Norm Ellis  
Mark Smith  
Alice Taychert    Via Phone  
Ceil Kelley  
Sharon Wirth  
Rex Wiggers  
Joe Liberto  
Garrett  
McGowen  
Pat Moore  
Brian Paul Friedland

**By Special**

**Invitation:**

Stephanie Cole Adams, Atty SCLRC  
Jill Aures, Library Specialist

Meeting called to order @ 3:02 PM by N  
Ellis  
Motion to skip the reading of minutes of  
prior meeting.  
Moved by Norm, 2nd by Sharon

**Introduction of Jill Aures, her background and credentials.**

**Topics to be  
addressed:**

- 1) Mark - No 'Newspaper of record', assumed to be Hornell Evening Tribune  
Joe - Bridge with City Committee, Joe-Rex-
- 2) Pat  
Alice - As per Brian Hildreth, Dir @ STLS, No
- 3) funding from feds  
Joe - Disaster Loan Application for non-profits
- 4) - need city input
- 5) Rex - Financials w/ Recovery Budget

**Stephanie -  
Recap of Position**

- 1) Get their attention> Insist on bi-weekly  
mtgs  
Interface with the City at least twice weekly to keep the Library in the forefront

Promote and reinforce the idea that the Library is '*An integral part of community recovery*'

Establish realistic budget amounts to operate during each phase

- 2) Avoid aggression and use diplomacy
  - Mitigate language and actions to promote a "Team" atmosphere with the Mayor and City
  - Be willing to negotiate
- 3) Work on incentives for the city to cooperate
  - Identify potential advocates such as county, state and federal representatives
  - Keep up Public Pressure
- 4) Use leverage points as needed
  - Violation of covenant to cut all funding
  - Violation of covenant to not publish budget
- 5) List what you like about the Library
- 6) Use "LIBRARYGATE" only as a last resort
- 7) Stephanie to provide a memo with language to use by Monday 4/13

Stephanie and Jill excused themselves

Open discussion by board members.

**Other Points:**

- 1 Discussion of current budget to be adjusted as needed for easier ability to pay current bills/invoices
  - Motion by Sharon, 2nd by Garrett
- 2 Alice will explore minimum hours of operation for recovery and restoration phases
- 3 Rex noted that the cost of upkeep in 1910 of \$2,500 would be equal to \$68,000 in 2020
- 4 Alice will reach out to Alstom for contribution
- 5 Pat noted contributions should be funneled thru FOL so city has no record/access
- 6 Pat Advised that Tim Nisbit ok'd his address to be published for this purpose
- 7 Ceil sent letter to Tribune 04/07
- 8 Rex to sen letter to Tribune 04/13
- 9 Radio interview on hold
  - Joe put up (2) 2'x5' signs

**4:36 PM Motion to Adjourn by Mark, 2nd Sharon**

Next Special Meeting Date with Stephanie Tuesday 04/21/20 @3:00 PM to be advised by Mark