

Minutes
Marshfield Library & Community Center Committee
Wednesday, June 4, 2014 4:00 p.m.
Marshfield Public Library, Beebee Forum Room

Doty called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Attendance: Kris Keogh, Jean Doty, Becky Spencer, Gary Cummings, Steve Barg, Jason Angell, and Lori Belongia

Absent: Mayor Chris Meyer, Mat Bartkowiak, and Kelly Cassidy

Also present: Floreine Kurtzweil, Gail Thomalla, Bill Hocking, and Joanne Ampe

Public Comment: Cummings thanks everyone for attending and speaking at the May 27, 2014 Common Council meeting.

Keogh moves and Spencer seconds approval of the minutes of the May 7, 2014 meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

Thomalla shared that with cash, paid pledges, pledges pending and pending pledges \$1,792,924 has been raised.

Barg speaks about the Finance Committee discussion regarding borrowing to cover pledges in progress. He also notes information gathered by City Finance Director Strey regarding a low interest bond anticipation note that would entail interest payments only until the pledges have been realized. This type of note should not have an impact on city borrowing. The question of extending the fundraising deadline was also raised at the May 6th meeting. It seemed to be accepted with a favorable outlook, but when placed on the agenda for the Finance Committee's May 20th meeting, it failed on a 3 – 1 vote. The item was eventually pulled from those minutes at the May 27 Common Council meeting with a motion and amendment to extend the fundraising deadline to Sept. 30, 2015 which passed with a 7 – 3 vote. Other parts of that discussion included adjustments to the original resolution and the expectation that the project would be moving back to a 2016 groundbreaking. The door was left open to request advancing the groundbreaking to 2015 if fundraising permits.

Hocking addressed the committee on behalf of the Capital Campaign CoChairs. He stated that those soliciting donations are encountering questions about the definition of and need for the Community Center. He asked the

committee to help develop talking points regarding the Community Center with regard to types of activities it will support, the need for space for youth activities and other expected uses. The question of cost for using space will have to be answered. The Committee on Aging survey results were mentioned. Committee members are asked to send their ideas and thoughts to Bill Hocking via email.

Ampe asked about an RFP for construction manager services. Barg noted that development of this RFP would take place about 6 – 8 weeks before we anticipate moving to the construction and bidding document development phase with the architects.

Belongia shared information on the development of the “Tribute Wall” fundraising idea, which might have an impact on the interior of the hub. That group is asking for input from the architects and possibly a visit from them on July 2nd when the fundraising committees meet again with the consultant.

Keogh asks if there are new drawings that they be brought to the next meeting.

The next agenda should contain a discussion of donor recognition methods and coordinating the work of the capital campaign committee with this one.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 2, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

Seeing no other business, Doty adjourned the meeting at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Belongia