

**Columbia and Boone County Library District
Minutes, Meeting of March 12, 2020**

Board members present were Bradd Anderson; Dorothy Carner; Susan Daly, President; Phil Harrison; August Nielsen and Khaki Westerfield. Andrea Kimura, Kate Markie and Pat Powell were absent.

Also present were staff members Amanda Burke, Margaret Conroy, Nathan Pauley, Eric Schmeck and Jim Smith.

Call to Order

Daly called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum of members was present.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Hearing no changes, additions or deletions, Daly declared the minutes of February 13, 2020 approved as written.

City of Columbia Request for Bus Shelter Easement

Conroy reviewed the history of the bus shelter that is currently on the north side of the Columbia Public Library. The issue of granting an easement for a new bus shelter or entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was previously discussed by the Columbia Library District board, DBRL staff and City staff between 2015-2017, with the board preferring an MOU and the City Attorney requesting an easement. Nothing was heard from January 2017 until a Missourian article in December 2019 stated that a new bus shelter would be installed at the CPL location. The City experienced staff turnover during this time.

Conroy reminded the Trustees that the City received grant funding for the new shelters and is likely trying to expend those funds as soon as possible.

Conroy stated that the proposed location for the new bus shelter is not ideal, in staff's opinion. She noted that she let the City know that their planned location would involve a tree removal, and she doesn't believe the new shelter requires a bike rack as there are several nearby on the CPL plaza. She also asked the City about trash removal from the proposed shelter's trash can.

Conroy said that no easement was granted for the existing bus shelter. After several emails with City staff, she was informed today that the City will not be requesting an easement.

Harrison inquired if the library can pursue an MOU again, if the City returns with a request for an easement. Conroy said that she does not know at this time what the City plans to do but, if they continue to pursue replacing the existing shelter with the new design, she will work to ensure that both parties are satisfied with the outcome.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Daly adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Amanda Burke.

Board Secretary