

Ellsworth Library Building Committee Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2019

Present: Paul Bauer, Tiffany Meyer, John Thompson, Linda Johnson, Jeanne Friedell, Pam Enger, Karen Meyer, Jeanette Wright

Absent: Sharon Schulze, Curt Wandmacher, Judy Perkins. Mike Foley, Roger Nelson, Milt Helmer, Charlie Kummer, Meghan Kummer

The meeting of the Ellsworth Library Building Committee was called to order by Chair Paul Bauer on July 15, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

There was a quorum of members present and the meeting was in compliance with the open meeting law.

Appointment of Note Taker: Jeanette Wright

A motion was made by Pam and seconded by Linda to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Linda and seconded by Pam to approve the December 10, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tiffany gave a review of the most recent Village Board meeting. The Village board has voted to not purchase the BMO Bank building. They voted to have the Building Committee look at remodeling/adding on to the present Library building.

Paul Bauer explained two options for the Library facility. Option 1 would be accomplished in 4 phases:

Phase 1-Build an approximately 5,000 square foot addition on the back of the current Library.

Phase 2-Remodel current Library space.

Phase 3-Build a Library green space to the west of new addition.

Phase 4-Remodel the lower level (Senior Center)

Option 2 would lease land across Main Street from present Library with the idea that the Library would lease space from a multi-use building that would be built there.

Discussion followed on these options. Time to complete each of these options was a concern. It was decided to pursue Option 1-phases 1 and 2 at this time.

A motion was made by Linda and seconded by Pam to send a draft RFP to the Library Board for their approval at their July meeting. With their approval, architects will be contacted and asked to come up with a design to not exceed 2 million dollars..

A motion was made by Jeanette and seconded by Jeanne to adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting will be August 12 at 6:30 p.m.