

**Ellsworth Public Library Building/Space Committee Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2020**

Present: Paul Bauer, Tiffany Meyer, John Thompson, Curt Wandmacher,
Linda Johnson, Sharon Schulze, Pam Enger, Jeanette Wright,
Crystal Johnson, Roger Nelson, Sharon Hofmeister, Judy Perkins
Also attending: Jodi Nelson and Ann Peterson from Ayres
Ashley Rezachek – Republican Eagle
Audrey Severson – Friends of the Library
James Waldvogel - Student

Absent: Mike Foley. Milt Helmer, Charlie Kummer, Meghan Kummer

The meeting of the Ellsworth Public Library Building/Space Committee was called to order by Chair Paul Bauer at 6:30 p.m. on January 13, 2020.

Quorum was established and the meeting was in compliance with open meeting law.

Appointment of Note Taker: Judy Perkins

The motion was made by Curt Wandmacher and seconded by Jeanette Wright to approve the December 9, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Current Business:

Curt Wandmacher gave an update on the resurveying project.

-156 surveys were sent out and 42 have been returned. Six high school students will go door to door to try and complete the survey. Ninety-seven surveys will need to be returned. This will determine what grants would be available for the building/space needs.

New Business:

-Motion was made by Linda Johnson and seconded by Pam Enger to approve Ayres invoice 184386 of \$21,974.08 . Motion carried. As there is not enough money in the library impact fees to cover the cost of this invoice the amount will be sent to the Ellsworth Library Board to approve for taking the fee out of the Ellsworth Library funds.

-Jodi Nelson gave an update on architectural and engineering findings of the present Ellsworth Library building . These findings were sent to the Building/Space Committee members in an e-mail to be looked at.

-Jodi Nelson presented the revised floor plan diagrams with the changes from suggestions made at the last Building/Space meeting. There was a discussion on these diagrams and Jodi will return at the next meeting with changes that will be made. At the time of this meeting there is no final floor plans made.

-Jodi updated the committee that the square footage cost has gone up to \$75.00 per sq. ft. This would put our present budget of \$2,000,000.00 up to \$223,1,022.00.

-Tony Birkel was introduced to the committee as the Major Fundraiser leader for the Ellsworth Public Library Building/Space Project. Suggestions from Tony were as follows:

-it would be good to have 10-15 families or businesses be the major contributors

-the use of pledge cards would be one way for people to donate

-point of sell sheet with information about the project

-consider naming rights for major contributors

The Ellsworth Library Building/Space Committee expressed their gratitude to Tony for taking on this Leadership role.

- Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Next meeting: February 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.