

Superior Public Library Board  
Finance Committee  
April 3, 2017

The Superior Public Library Board Finance Committee convened on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the library at 1530 Tower Ave., Superior, WI, as was advertised in the *Superior Telegram*.

Board Members Present: Bill Anderson, Rick Arnold Absent: Kaye Tenerelli

Also Present: Sue Heskin, Library Director

- I. Bill called meeting to order at 10:05.
- II. Discussion of remodeling project budget. Preliminary cost estimates from CPMI show that Library is currently \$349,000 short of the funds to complete the remodeling project without cutting back on the scope of the project. After some built-in budget contingencies, MSR said to consider library to be about \$300,000 short. Library Board should confirm with MSR by April 13 the total available funds for the project. LHB will then move forward with construction documents.
- III. The Finance committee will make the following recommendation to the Library Board at its April 12 meeting:
  1. Request City Council to move 2019 Library CIP funds to 2018 - \$200,000. The library is no longer phasing this project and the funding is needed in 2018. Library Director and City Finance Director will request this adjustment at an upcoming City Council meeting.
  2. Commit \$100,000 of Endowment fund principal toward project. There is \$133,000 in cash endowment funds. The Library Board was preparing to transfer these funds to the SPL Foundation for management. Interest rates are currently too low to accrue enough interest to purchase materials annually. The committee proposes to put these funds toward the remodeling project as a safety net. The Foundation can replace the endowment principals or start a new endowment through its fundraising. To earmark these endowments toward the project will require a vote of the Board.

The Board can change the purpose of an endowment at any time by a vote of the Board. The Board may honor the wishes of the donor by finding appropriate areas in the remodeling project that fit the donor's wishes or by designating a "naming rights" area in honor of the donor.

Bill announced the meeting adjourned at 10:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan F. Heskin, Library Director