

Special Greenville Public Library Trustees Meeting
St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Posch Center
Via conference call
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420 South Prairie Street
August 26, 2021
4:00 p.m.
Minutes

1. Call to Order: President Dale Martin called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.
2. Roll Call: Board members present: Dale Martin, Cynthia Wiegand, Cindy Catron, Kayla Curry, Kyle Littlefield, Jane Wilhite, and Chance Vohlken (at 4:05 pm). Via phone: Judy Cox. Absent: Diadre Schaufelberger. Also present: Director Jo Keillor, Head Librarian Christal Valentin (4:35 pm), and WGEL reporter Jeff Leidel.
3. Public Comments: There were no public comments.
4. Discussion on Building Options: The board discussed pros and cons of the three options:
 - 1.) stay and fix issues as needed, 2.) stay and build an addition, or 3.) build a new building.

| <u>Pros</u> | <u>Cons</u> |
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| #1. Sentimental value Location Less cost up front | ADA issues Lack of space Cost and inconvenience to fix multiple issues |
| #2. Sentimental value Location Greater community support Not another empty building | Risk Time-line – repair before, during, or after? Cost – repair old building and build addition Have to temporarily move out while work is done Possible community reaction to demolition of houses Character change of original library |
| #3. No temporary re-location Minimal down time Long term solution Everything is new Greater flexibility Cleaner Our design More opportunities for programming Energy efficiency | Cost Location Lack of community support Lack of nostalgia factor |

The Board also discussed the need for a Friends of the Library group to help with fundraising and advocacy for the Library. With increased costs of labor and materials, this would benefit the Library no matter what is decided about the building.

Kyle Littlefield recommended that the Board prepare a plan to present to the City Council. Board members were urged to each send Kyle Littlefield a list of the pros and cons that they see.

5. Adjourn: Cindy Catron motioned to adjourn. Kyle Littlefield seconded the motion.
Approved: 6-0.