

## **Holdrege Area Public Library**

### **Library Planning Committee Meeting August 12, 2025**

The meeting of the Holdrege Area Public Library Planning Committee was called to order at 4:00 in the community meeting room in compliance with the Nebraska Public/Open Meetings Act, posted on the north wall of the room. Board members Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Cassie Ehrenberg, Sue Christensen, Lori Larson, Annette Sindt and Cindy Woollen were present, as was Library Director Sierra Burrows. Members Anna Sertich, Julie Johnson, and Maureen Epping did not attend.

**Public Forum:** There were no members of the public present.

**Business:** Matt Kreutzer and Creighton Maurer from CMBA Architects led the committee in examination of three charrettes (building massing and organization layouts) that had been created as design exercises by CMBA interns. The charrettes provided several interior layouts for the board members to consider – noting likes and dislikes. They also provided two CMBA examples of possible interior layouts- one proposing 2 floors and a basement; the other proposing 3 floors and a basement. Again, encouraging board members to comment on likes and dislikes. The discussion and feedback from the committee will guide CMBA in their next steps of designing a library to meet the needs of the Holdrege Area Library. Following their portion of today's meeting Matt and Creighton departed. Upcoming LPC meetings with CMBA are scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and October 14<sup>th</sup>. All meetings will begin at 4:00 in the library meeting room.

In other business the board discussed the proposals recently presented by Stawhecker Nonprofit Services (8/7/25) and from Kinetic (8/11/25). After a detailed discussion, Lori Larson made a motion to approve Stawhecker Nonprofit Services to be our fundraising partner for our capital campaign. All members present voted in the affirmative: Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Cassie Ehrenberg, Sue Christensen, Lori Larson and Cindy Woollen. Annette Sindt departed the meeting early.

Lori will contact Stawhecker Nonprofit Services and schedule a meeting with their representatives. When a meeting date is determined, she will notify the committee members via email.

Before the meeting adjourned, to follow up on old business, Cassie Ehrenburg shared information from City Administrator Chris Rector about the status of the house on the property north of the library. There is no buyer. The next step will be to put it on auction to be moved, but that will require a vote by the city council.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 following a motion by Rosanna Meyer that was seconded by Sue Christensen.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Christensen, secretary