

**Ida Public Library**  
**Expansion Committee Meeting**  
**February 9, 2023- 6:00 pm**  
**Zoom Meeting**

The February Expansion Committee meeting of the Ida Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by Chair Brenda Obilade at 6:03 pm. Present were Chair Brenda Obilade and Director Mindy Long. President Dawn Brooks joined after the meeting started. Trustee Wendy LaFauce was excused.

**Public Comment:** none

**Correspondence:** none

**Unfinished Business:**

- Library pavilion follow up. Discussion took place regarding the cost and plans for an outdoor pavilion on the empty lot. Determination was made to send out for bids before proceeding. In addition, the project may have to be on hold due to the future demolition of 111 W. Hurlbut. The location of the outdoor pavilion may have to be on hold until those issues are resolved but we will still request bids.
- No other unfinished business.

**New Business:**

- Library parking needs. The parking lot is becoming crowded and discussion took place regarding expansion of the parking area into the empty lot. Architect plans from 2012 were examined and the general consensus was that we need updated plans. Possibilities include removing the bushes and just adding ten spots, removing the middle berms, adding ten spots along Kishwaukee Street on the empty lot. Since this is all part of the larger expansion picture, President Brooks mentioned forming a Strategic Planning Committee which incorporates Expansion, Building & Grounds, and Finance in order to determine the best course of action.
- Potential library expansion. The parking lot discussion flowed into potential library expansion and 2012 plans were examined again for possible building expansion. No final recommendation at this time until strategic planning can take place.
- Home delivery service- discussion took place on the need for a type of home delivery service. Agreed that this service would be valuable, but due to upcoming projects, this will be revisited next year.
- Other new business-discussion took place regarding the steps involved to demolish the home at 111 W Hurlbut once the tenants move out this year. Mindy will contact the city to find out how soon we can start the rezoning process to change from NB to Institutional so we can use the property for the expansion plans.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Dawn Brooks to adjourn. Seconded by Brenda Obilade. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy Long

Ida Public Library Director