



BENJAMIN JEWELL, President, City of Coldwater  
SUSAN SMITH, Vice President, Quincy Twp.  
KIMBERLY LANGWORTHY, Secretary, County-at-Large  
SUSAN BROOKS, Trustee, County-at-Large  
ROBERT HOSTETLER, Trustee, City of Coldwater  
JOSEPH LYNCH, Trustee, Union Twp.  
KAREN SMITH, Trustee, Bronson Twp.

**Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
Coldwater Branch Library, 10 E. Chicago St., Coldwater MI 49036  
Monday, February 19, 2024, 5:30pm**

**MINUTES**



**1. Call to Order**

BDL President Benjamin Jewell called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call / Attendance**

Trustees Present: Susan Brooks, Robert Hostetler, Benjamin Jewell, Kim Langworthy, Joseph Lynch, Karen Smith, Susan Smith

Trustees Absent: none.

Others Present: John Rucker, Kimberly Feltner, Emma Barned, Tim Taylor

**4. Consent Agenda**

Motion by Karen Smith, supported by Kimberly Langworthy, to approve the Consent Agenda and place the items within it on file. Motion carried.

- A. BDL Regular Board Meeting Minutes: January 15, 2024
- B. Bills: December 2023
- C. Bills: January 2024
- D. Financial Statements: January 2024
- E. Branch County Penal Fine Report: December 2023
- F. Management Reports: February 15, 2024
- G. Branch Reports: February 15, 2024
- H. Monthly Statistical Report: December 2023
- I. Monthly Statistical Report: January 2024
- J. Publicity and Comments: February 15, 2024
- K. Letter in Support of the Coldwater Community Center

**5. Approval of the Agenda**

Motion by Susan Smith supported by Susan Brooks, to approve the Agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

**6. Audit Report: Tim Taylor of Taylor, Plant & Watkins P.C.**

Audit results and year end financial statements provided prior to this meeting were reviewed. No action required.

**7. Personnel Committee: Met February 12, 2024**



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Motion by Susan Smith supported by Karen Smith, to approved the proposed changes to the Employment Handbook as presented by the Personnel Committee. Motion carried.

**8. Building Committee: Met February 6, 2024**

Quotes from JFR Remodeling, Shemel's Carpet & Interiors and Willowbrook Interiors to update carpeted areas to carpet squares, put vinyl flooring for part of the teen space, the break room, storage room and 4<sup>th</sup> floor meetings room as well as a rubber stair treatment for the main staircase were reviewed and discussed.

Motion by Robert Hostetler supported by Susan Brooks, to approve the selected quote from Willowbrook Interiors, \$83,730 from the General Fund. Motion carried.

**9. Announcements**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Branch District Library Board of Trustees will be held Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:30 pm in the meeting room of the Coldwater Branch Library.

**10. Public Comments** - None.

**11. Adjournment**

Motion by Karen Smith, supported by Joseph Lynch, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kimberly S. Langworthy  
BDL Board Secretary