

# The Nation Municipality Public Library Board

#### **Minutes**

### Regular meeting Thursday September 12, 2024 at 7 PM St Isidore Branch

Attendance: France Lamoureux, Chairperson

Suzanne Leblanc, Member

Pierrette Lavergne, Member (teleconferencing)

Yvon Quesnel, Member Nathalie Gendron, Member

Danik Forgues, Municipal Councillor Jeanne Leroux, Chief Executive Officer

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 7 pm.

## 2. Additions to Agenda

None

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

Proposed by: Pierrette Lavergne Seconded by: Yvon Quesnel

### 4. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts.

#### 5. Approval of minutes May 9, 2024

Proposed by: Yvon Quesnel Seconded by: Suzanne Leblanc

#### 6. Questions related to minutes of May 9, 2024

None

## 7. Business arising from previous meetings:

<u>The Street Libraries in Limoges:</u> Yvon is in the process of 'rebuilding' the libraries that are damaged. He will complete this task doing 2 at a time until they are all back to the original pre-winter shape. This is the one and only time he will do this. Responsibility for their upkeep needs to be transferred to a local community group or person who can keep a local eye on them.

#### 8. Report of C.E.O.

Highlights and accomplishments Meetings of Note Workshop and conferences (See attached report)

#### 9. Information items to discuss:

a) <u>MOU Nation Library Board document</u>: Danik presented the draft of the MOU and correspondence. After a long discussion, this was deferred to a future date. Several members could not read the entire document since it is only in English. Many questions and interpretations remain unclear. Questions will be forwarded to the CAO by members.

#### b) Resignation from board member:

Chantal Normand resigned as one of the two representatives for Limoges. Chantal has made considerable contributions to our Library Board, and we are sorry to see her go. Thank you, Chantal.

#### 10. Financial Report:

That the financial report dated August 30, 2024 be adopted as is.

Proposed by: Danik Forgues Seconded by: Yvon Quesnel

#### 11. Correspondance

None

# 12.Next Meeting

October 10, 2024 St Albert

# 13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourns at 8:30 Proposed by: Suzanne Leblanc Seconded by: Pierrette Lavergne



## The Nation Municipality Public Library

Chief Executive Officer Report

# 2024 June July August

# Highlights & Accomplishments

<u>Summer program:</u> The summer program from July 9 to August 15 went well. The theme this year was .... We are presently cumulating the statistics for the final report that we need to submit. A special Thank You to France Lamoureux that allowed us to borrow a wood rocket from her school that resided at the St Isidore Branch for the summer. Given the size we could not move it to St Albert and Limoges. The children loved the rocket especially to take pictures.



**Human Resources**: We hire Parise Adam following the departure of Lynn Lachapelle. Parise has done her training at all three (3) branches and is presently working at the Limoges Branch. She is also replacing at all three (3) branches when needed.

<u>Municipal Information Technology Services:</u> On August 12, the Information technology services were externalized to the United Counties of Prescott Russell. This affects the library for our email service, our financial accounting services and our access to the Internet for the public. Issues are not resolved.

<u>Training for all staff:</u> On September 17 and October 2, there will be a day of training organized by Health and Safety. The employees will receive their certification for First Aid that will be valid for three (3) years.

<u>Provincial Interlibrary loan:</u> Ontario Library Service which is the source for interlibrary loan for the province is currently transitioning to a new information technology software from OCLC, a large American system. The months of September and October will be dedicated to courses to introduce this new system to all the employees who work with this system. The launch date is forecast for early 2025.

## **Limoges Branch:**

• Student visits from the school will start on October 1st Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 8h30 to 11h30 which is the same as the last academic year.

#### **Succursale St Isidore Branch**:

• Saturday June 22 at 10 am we had a book launch in partnership with the municipal Heritage and Culture Committee. The book called "Le poids de l'or" written by Cécile Charbonneau. Madame Charbonneau is a resident of the Quebec City area, but she is originally from Fournier Ontario. We welcomed approximately 60 people. Thank you to Michel André Lavergne of Heritage and Culture for the initiative and to France Lamoureux for being master of ceremonies for the occasion. The cake was a 'big hit'.



• Since August 7, we have on display the works of Caroline Galand, local artiste from Plantagenet.

