



LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 2021
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET

A. **CALL TO ORDER:** 5:30 p.m.

B. **ROLL CALL:**

Commissioner: Judy Turner
Susan Olson Higgins
Sylvia Meents
Carol Mueller

Chairperson: Vacant

C. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

D. **REGULAR AGENDA:** All items listed below are in the order, which we believe, are of most interest to the public at this meeting. However, if anyone in the audience wishes to have the order of the agenda changed, please come to the podium and explain the reason you are asking for the order of the agenda to be changed.

1. **Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the October 21, 2020 Meeting with any necessary corrections.**
2. **Update by County Librarian Todd Deck on current Library Projects and Programs.**
3. **Discussion of Library Vision Plan.**

E. **ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR:**

F. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Turner:
Meents:
Olson Higgins:
Mueller:

G. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The Corning Library Commission serves as an advisory body to the Corning City Council and the Tehama County Library Director on Public Library issues including recommendations for building improvements, improvements to the literary, music and film collection and planning for future library service to the Community of Corning. The Commission provides a public forum for the proposal and discussion of public library services that benefit the Community. Ideally the Commission would encourage community volunteers to work together in the planning for current and future library facility and program needs.

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SPECIAL LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

794 THIRD STREET

FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED

AND

TEMPERATURES WILL BE TAKEN AT THE DOOR TO COUNCIL CHAMBER
PRIOR TO ENTRY

A. **CALL TO ORDER:** 5:45 p.m.

B. **ROLL CALL:**

Commissioner: Judy Turner
Susan Olson Higgins
Sylvia Meents
Carol Mueller

Chairperson: Vacant

Present were Turner, Meents and Olson-Higgins; absent was Mueller. Commission still has one vacancy.

C. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:** None

D. **REGULAR AGENDA:**

1. **Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the October 2, 2019 Meeting with any necessary corrections.**

Approved by Consensus of the Commissioners present.

2. **Update by County Librarian Todd Deck on current Library Projects and Programs.**

The Tehama County Library closed on March 19th and in June offered a curbside service. The Library also reopened with some restrictions in June. Mr. Deck stated that the Library has stepped up service and now offers various new online digital resources such as Ancestry.com (Library Edition), JobNow & VetNow.Kanopy (Movies), New York Times online, Overdrive (eBooks), Teen Resources, etc. He further stated that they also completed some additional upgrades to the Los Molinos and Corning Libraries.

Mr. Deck announced that the County received a new program (Open + by Bibliotheca) that will be at the Red Bluff Library. This Program allows the Corning Library to expand their service hours from 20 to 30 hours per week. Red Bluff will go from 32 hours per week to 62 hours at no additional cost to the taxpayers in Tehama County. He further stated that \$136,900 has been brought to the County Libraries through various grants. The County Library is also currently working on various additional programs that can be provided for children that comply with the required social distancing.

He was asked if the County plans to continue with the Ancenstry.com and New York Times; he stated yes, they plan to.

3. **Approve recommendation to City Council for approval to purchase Library furniture in the amount of \$15,271.38 using Ridell Trust funds.**

County Librarian Todd Deck presented this item. He stated that he selected the proposed furniture based upon current need and easy cleaning. He stated that with COVID-19 he anticipates that most Libraries will be focusing on self-service items.

Sandy Schorn: Stated she was disappointed and feels that the paint and carpet coloring is dated, as is the flooring in the entry. The checkout stand is very ugly, and she does not feel the Library is welcoming. She also stated she would like to see a window installed in the entry where the white wall is located as currently it is very dark, especially during the winter months. and she would like to see upgraded signage. She also stated it would be nice when the Library

re-opens it would be nice to have updated furniture for patrons to sit on. She concluded with the statement that she feels it is time to use these funds as they were intended.

Commissioner Olson-Higgins confirmed that what is currently being proposed would serve for now, possibly in the future additional improvements can be made. The Commission also talked about the benefits of the self-service checkout station and safety protection for employees and volunteers. Commissioner Meents asked about the checkout procedures currently being used and the sanitizing process. County Librarian Todd Deck stated that currently fines are not being charged to avoid as much public contact as possible. Commissioner Turner requested that the sanitizing stations and mats be removed from the recommendation and ask the City to provide these. A member of the audience suggested that it all be presented as a unified program.

Commissioner Olson-Higgins moved to remove the sanitation station and mat from the recommendation. Commissioner Meents seconded the motion. **Ayes: Turner, Olson-Higgins, and Meents. Absent: Mueller. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 3-0 vote with Mueller absent.**

Commissioner Olson-Higgins moved to approve all items for recommendation to the City Council with the exception of the sanitation stations and floor mat. Commissioner Meents seconded the motion. **Ayes: Turner, Olson-Higgins, and Meents. Absent: Mueller. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 3-0 vote with Mueller absent.**

Commissioner Olson-Higgins would like to add to the agenda a glassed room for tutoring. Commissioner Turner stated she did not think now was the time to discuss this. County Librarian Todd Deck stated that he agreed with Chairperson Turner.

City Clerk Lisa Linnet cautioned the Commission members regarding the Brown Act and discussion of items for future action by the Commission outside of Commission meetings.

E. ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR: None

F. COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Turner: None

Meents: Suggested that a list be created for future improvements to be provided to County Librarian Todd Deck and start with Ms. Schorn's List.

Olson Higgins: Reported on the Bike Raffle.

Mueller: Absent.

G. ADJOURNMENT: 7:40 p.m.

Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk