

President James A. Hoffman called the July 9, 2015, special meeting of the Library Board to order at 4:30 pm.

Present: Gerry Baecke, Sheryl Hanson, James A. Hoffman, James Jannes, Imogene Jensen, Nodie Kipp, Van Thompson, Jeannine Zmuda

Absent: Steve Strupp

Also Present: Laura Long, Library Director and Tammy Cox, Services Manager

Kay Runge and Russ Hodge, of The Hodge Group, presented their findings on the feasibility of raising the \$5.5 million for a new library. The report stated that the majority of those interviewed think the library and staff are an asset and that a new library could help revitalize the downtown area but the study only identified \$1.1 million for the project. If we increased our tax levy to the maximum we are allowed to collect we could generate enough money to pay back a \$2 million bond.

Gerry made a motion to receive and accept the report from the Hodge Group, Imogene seconded; motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Imogene Jensen, Secretary