

Location

Bentonville Public Library (BPL) Rotary Conference Room

Call to Order**Roll Call**

Library Advisory Board (LAB) Members

Approval of Minutes: June 7, 2023 and September 6, 2023

Agenda Items

1. Bentonville Library Report
 - a. 150 Year Celebrations
 - i. The following items were placed in the City's time capsule by Hadi Dudley, Anna Sharon, Vira Kousol and Samantha Sacry: City of Bentonville Proclamation presented at the groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate National Library Week; our commemorative 150-year library card designed by a local teenager; Bentonville Book Bingo, a reading activity featured this summer and a compilation of photographs of all staff members currently working at the library, along with each person's name and favorite book title.
 - ii. October will feature an apple-themed book bag craft.
 - b. Featured Library Events
 - i. September events were really positive (good attendance and feedback)
 1. Author Events in September
 2. 1000 Books Before Kindergarten kickoff
 - ii. Several October happenings for all ages
 1. OZ Kids™ Fat Tire Crit & Fall Fest: Saturday, October 21 at 2-5 PM
 2. Volunteer opportunities still exist for our partners at Ozark Foundation
 - c. Library FY2024 Budget Presentation to City Council: Friday, October 13
2. Expansion Update
 - a. Underground waterline relocation was complete September 25, 2023
 - b. The south portion of foundation slab was poured on September 28, 2023
 - c. The north portion of foundation slab will be poured when remaining piers are drilled and final footings are complete
 - d. Parking lot modifications begin week of October 9; reminder of project scope:
 - i. Portions of lot will be temporarily closed during demolition, asphalt and restripe
 - ii. Addition of 12 new parking spots
 - iii. Addition of a convenient 15-minute spot for hold pickup
 - iv. Improvements to the Downtown Trail are planned
 - v. Relocation of the Main Street rainwater garden
 - e. Installation of steel is scheduled for October. Topping-out ceremony will be announced for later in fall
 - f. Still on target for opening summer 2024 with remodel work continuing a couple months after addition opens

- g. MSR Design will be onsite October 12-13 to kick off the furniture, fixtures & equipment (FFE) phase of our project
 - i. Meetings with library staff to discuss shelving and furnishings (public seating, makerspace plus service desks and staff workstations)
- 3. Friends of the Bentonville Library Report
- 4. Bentonville Library Foundation Report
- 5. Public Comments on Agenda Items (Limited Public Forum)

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 1 PM

Adjournment*About Public Comments on Agenda Items*

Library Advisory Board meetings are open to the public. Guests may make public comments at the end of the agenda. Making a public comment will require you to register with your name, address, phone number and email address. Each person is limited to 3 minutes of comments; public comments should relate to board meeting agenda items.