

DORR TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING
Dorr Township Library
Date: October 21, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

Minutes

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Approval of the Agenda:

Approval of the Minutes:

Treasurer's Report:

Public Comment:

Director's Report:

Township Board Meeting:

Committee Reports:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Determine cuts- see notes on next page

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Decide on next millage

Adjournment:

Next regular meeting: November 18, 2019

Feedback from Community

- Charge for programs
- Make the millage mailer language clearer- renewal and increase
- Include information on mailers regarding what will happen if it doesn't pass
- Add information in the newsletters/website- including statistics and budget (linked)
- Post statistics
 - checkouts
 - number of people who attend programs
 - resources used
- Print copies of the budget
- Email link to budget
- Reduce hours/days
- Breakdown monthly operating costs
- Be clear about what other libraries around us are doing- money wise
- "Why I come to the library" feature on facebook/social media.
 - Ask patrons to explain why they use the library
- Be clear about what the millage will pay for
 - operations
 - building improvements
 - etc

Daily operating cost/ \$212.94 for a 7 hour day for two employees

Other possible cuts? 1. Gale courses. We get some use out of this and I wished we had the time and resources to promote this more before we get rid of it, but it is 4600 a year. Unfortunately, it just renewed and it wouldn't save us money until next August (which would still be 4600 saved from next years budget if we wouldn't be allocating it toward that next year).

2. Ancestry. I know someone mentioned that they don't want us to cut this, but Dorr's half is \$1030 and it renews in the spring so that's another potential savings. Complication with this one is that Hopkins would also have to agree to get rid of it since they probably wouldn't be able to carry the cost on their own.

3. Mango Languages. I know we have a couple of people who use this quite often, so it's another one of those that would hurt to cut, but it is a savings of about \$1360/year and it is another one that renews come spring time.