

Library Board March 2025 Meeting

March 12, 5:30 pm Literacy Room 618 Beaser Ave

Vaughn Public Library is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84868263851?pwd=2PEFZUGVimA57m9u5dlgKQllaavaWQ.1

Meeting ID: 848 6826 3851 Passcode: 070274

Call to order: SAA, MA, CC, JC, MJ, SJ, MR

- 1. Approve Agenda
- 2. Approve Minutes February 2025
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Continuing Business
  - a. Renovation Update/Progress Report
- 5. New Business
- 6. Director's Report
  - a. Statistical Report
  - b. Financial Report
- 7. Adjourn

# **Director's Report**

## **Renovation Update**

We have the final official Flexible Facilities grant award! Abatement of wrap around boiler pipes, some underlay (black tar paper under old carpet) and caulking around the windows are scheduled for March 3 - 6. Demolition will begin March 10. I will meet with Immel's on-site superintendent Ron Jackson in the morning to orient everyone. Their construction office will be within the library. The west ½ of Vaughn Ave from the Alley to Main St will serve as their staging area. I will be giving all of our neighbors informational letters this week so they understand sidewalk and street closures. The alley won't be closed until about June or so...Tenants will have an option to park in city lots. Hitt's furniture will have to coordinate deliveries through their Iron Wood location. The team – architects, construction, VPL - will have a scheduled meeting every other Tuesday 11 am. If you ever want to sit in on one of these, just let me know. There will always be a virtual link.

### **Beaser Site**

Foot traffic at the Beaser site is a bit slower than we'd like. The elementary school has their annual art display mounted around the interior (it is fantastic) and perhaps that will bring some new faces into the building. Operationally, things are going fine. There was a live bat captured from the kid's play area on Saturday - so some weirdness, but no harm. One of our elder patrons fell while navigating the front steps - she was just approaching the curb. She did have to be taken to the hospital. I have left phone messages and sent a note, but I have not heard from her. Her husband stopped to pick up books and reported her face is badly bruised.

### Personnel

The Friends have given the VPL funds to hire an intern for the summer. The plan was to recruit a student from the NC education program. But, with the closure of Northland, we are rethinking the plan. Updates to come. I decided not to hire a page at this time. We just don't have enough shelving work to keep them busy.

### On the Horizon

I have a few vacations planned for April & May. My hope is things are moving along at a regular pace and no one will notice I am gone. There's a construction schedule I can share with you and also put on the website.

#### **Book Recommendation**

Amy Tan is multi talented and just published a book, "The Backyard Bird Chronicles" where she captures her interactions with birds as she also learns to sketch them. Her art is personal and fun, as is her passion to "be the bird."

Sarah Adams, Director

