I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by President Rose at 7:01

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – Motion to adopt the agenda with the following changes was made by: McCollough. Support: Selman. Motion carried 3-0

III. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
A. Regular Meeting of April 19, 2017
B. April 2017 Treasurer’s Report
C. Correspondence/Articles
   a. How to protect Patrons
   b. How to Tell Your Story so the World Listens
   c. Tips to Plan for an Uncertain Future

Motion to approve the consent agenda by: McCollough. Support: Selman. Motion Carried 3-0

IV. FORMAL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
A. Mayor Siver – unable to attend due to a conflicting meeting.
B. Councilman Mandelbaum – unable to attend due to a conflicting meeting.
C. Arts Commission members Skip Davis & Bob McTaggart requested the board’s support on a fund raising effort to bring a sculpture by Charles McGee to the City. The piece is a monumental work, entitled Common Ground. Funds needed to cast and install the piece will be around $250,000. The Board viewed a model and discussed options with the guests. The Board took no action at this time, but did not want library gift funds to be used toward this project.

V. REPORTS
A. Deputy Librarian’s Report
   a. Personnel
      1. Beall noted that Library Services Aide Pam Devlin and Adult Services Coordinator Anne Kabel are both retiring and are key positions in the library organization. Both Beall and Pat Kidd are learning accounting procedures to fill in until a replacement for Ms. Devlin is found.
      2. We are hiring a new safety officer who has worked at Southfield Schools and has experience in the area of Special Education.
      3. There will be an all-staff workshop on Conflict Resolution May 18-19.
   b. Building
      1. We plan to extend the Bumler HVAC contract for one year.
      2. Environmental work has been completed to make for a more comfortable library and save money where possible.
      3. Plumbers have been in working on various tasks throughout the building.
4. The teen lighting project continues to move forward slowly.

B. Director’s Report
   a. Long Range Plan – Ewick presented a draft Request for Proposals and asked board members to review it for needed changes.
   b. Review of Gift Fund uses and LBA fund uses – Review of information on approved and requested uses of these funds. In discussion, several changes were given to Ewick to bring back to the Board next month. McColough made a motion to rename the Storytime Room after it is renovated to the Edith Phillips Storytime Room. Support: Selman. Motion Carried 4-0.
   Selman made a motion to rename the Bruce Schmidt Trust, the Bruce Schmidt Continuing Education Fund, and to use it for staff education. Support: Cohen. Motion carried 4-0.
   c. LSTA grant request – the Adult Services division would like to submit a grant request of $2,000 for a pilot project that would entail purchasing and loaning out some Findaway tablet computers. McColough made a motion to submit the grant request. Support: Selman. Motion carried 4-0.
   d. Hoopla – the Adult division would like to enter into an agreement with Midwest Tape to provide streaming services for music, audiobooks and videos through their service called Hoopla. The funds are already in the budget for materials with Midwest so no budget changes would need to be made. Selman made a motion to enter into the agreement. Support: McColough. Cohen asked for an amendment to the motion to include an amount of $12,000 for the first year. Selman agreed to the amendment. Motion carried 4-0.
   e. Application for Junior Library Board member – Howard Haynes has turned in an application.
   f. Ewick asked the board members’ opinions on denoting April as Holocaust Remembrance Month in 2018 to honor the people who suffered in that event. The Board had mixed feelings on the idea and so tabled discussion for now.
   g. Gift – Southfield resident Ray Kauffman donated an oil painting in honor of his wife. It will be displayed somewhere in the library.

VI. OLD BUSINESS
   a. Fundraising – discussion tabled due to lack of time.
   b. Fountain update – Ewick alerted the board that City Administration is now assisting in getting cost estimates for repair of the fountain and installation of the whale statue. The Board reiterated that they feel spending gift funds on fountain repairs is inappropriate, but are willing to continue the conversation with city administration.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

X. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS
   a. McColough encouraged sending more people to outside professional development opportunities, with the stipulation that those who attend conferences, etc. bring back a report or discussion for other staff members to also gain from the experience.

VII. ADJOURNMENT –
Motion to adjourn at 8:52 by Cohen. Support: McColough. Motion carried 4-0.