Berkley Public Library Board Meeting Minutes May 17, 2023

Present: Matt Church, Library Director; Rita Van Brandeghen, Chairperson; Amanda Rohda, Carol Hermann, and Margaret McGee, Board Members; Mike Dooley, City Council Liaison.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

II. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

III. Approval of Minutes from April 19 Meeting

The Board approved the minutes as printed.

IV. Librarian's Report

The Library Director presented reports on Library Staff, building and grounds, and programming. Highlights of the report include:

- Staff updates.
- Strong attendance at Sears Kit Home presentation.
- Interior and exterior painting was finished.
- Now charging fees for the EV charging station, 0.23 per kilowatt hour. Revenue generated will go to library budget.

V. Old Business

- Recent circulation represents an increase.
- Museum passes will be revamped with refreshed marketing.

VI. New Business

- Budget updates include: Library will be closed on Saturdays between Memorial Day and Labor Day; library will close on Thursday evenings at 6 pm starting in July; full-time secretary position will not be filled; ARPA funds will be spread over two years; Yard waste tags will be sold at the library; HVAC will be part of the budget and is currently being designed; Holding off on reupholstery and security cameras; Will continue Wi-Fi hotspots; eliminate plans for new scanning station.

VII. Update from City Council Liaison

- Current focus is on budget planning and alignment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02.

The next Library Board Meeting is Wednesday, June 21, 2023.