



## LIBRARIES

LIBRARY BOARD FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 2PM  
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MEETING MINUTES

**In Attendance:** Carmen Cuthbertson, Jane Wheeler, Heidi Roedel, Wendy Brown, Teri Dugan.

- A. Call to Order:** J. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm.
- B. Facilities Discussion:** The facilities committee discussed options for possible future library locations in Kalispell.
- 23 potential properties were identified by the committee. These properties were discussed and compared according to a variety of features.
  - Location, availability, land ownership, size of acreage, vehicle accessibility, walking and biking accessibility, visibility, access to Parkline trail and the scope of the work needed to house a library.
  - Each potential property was discussed and compared. Committee members listed pros and cons and assigned tasks for further exploration of chosen properties.
  - After considerable discussion and comparison, the list of potential properties was reduced to 8 or 9 strong possibilities.
  - The location of the library is dependent upon the support from our community, donors, library staff and library users. Donations and advocacy are key elements to a future library for Kalispell. Many supporters have expressed great interest in the library being located at Depot Park in Kalispell.
  - The committee brainstormed properties that recently became available.
  - More investigation will be needed and will continue as the committee seeks facilities suitable for a future County Library.
  - The committee appreciates and seeks community input going forward.
- C. Adjourn:** J. Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 4:02 PM