

**Director's Report**  
**Great Falls Public Library**  
October 2023

1. **WELCOME ISA NEWBURY (LIBRARY CLERK: TECHNICAL SERVICES) & EMMI BIVENS (LIBRARY SPECIALIST: PUBLIC SERVICES)**
2. **MILL LEVY ELECTION:** The City of Great Falls was served with a Petition to Annul and Set Aside or Void Election and Other Injunctive Relief. The Library is not named in the lawsuit. The suit is against the 5 City Commissioners (Bob Kelly, Eric Hinebauch, Joe McKenney, Rick Tryon and Susan Wolf), the City Attorney (David Dennis) and the City of Great Falls as a political entity. The City has filed a Motion to Dismiss in response to the suit. We believe that the response is strong and that it is highly unlikely that the election will be overturned. Judge Kutzman was originally assigned the case and wanted to recuse himself. Judge Parker, Judge Best and Judge Grubich, have declined to accept the case. The case is back with Judge Kutzman. We are waiting for him to decide to take the case or request another judge take it.
3. **MILL LEVY IMPLEMENTATION:** We are moving forward with the Library Levy implementation plan. There is a Levy Implementation Report in your packet. We can discuss the report and current progress at the meeting.
4. **OPEN HOUSE:** We will be having our Levy Implementation Open House on Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup>. The plan for the evening is included in your packet. I hope that everyone can attend. We can discuss the evening and the proposed role of the Board at the meeting.
5. **VOLUNTEER THANK YOU DINNER:** Hopefully, you have all received an invitation to the 2023 volunteer dinner to be held on Tuesday November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. We appreciate all of your hard work leading the Library and look forward to thanking you at the dinner.
6. **MONTHLY MANAGEMENT TEAM UPDATES:** I would like to propose that my monthly reports start to include regular reports from other members of the Management Team. (For example, Jake Sorich can provide a more in-depth report on our social media presence. Sarah Cawley can provide a report on her programming plans. Rae McFadden can report on Youth Services programs and materials. Etc.)
7. **LOGO COMMITTEE:** The Logo committee is continuing their work and is close to consensus. They will provide a full report to both Boards by our November meeting.
8. **CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS:** Sara Kegel and I have met with the consultant and are researching some options including possible online PayPal payments, fixes to the Converge Credit Card software and the installation of an ATM. Once I have recommendations, I will ask the Board to approve the plan.
9. **PERMANENT STORY WALK:** Our permanent Story Walk has been up for one year! Thanks to Youth Services staff and volunteers for installing wonderful new stories each month.