



CITY OF YACHATS
YACHATS LIBRARY COMMISSION
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
 Civic Meeting Room I, 441 Hwy 101 N. OR 97498
 Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 10:00 am

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call

Commission Members	P/A
David Rivinus, Chair	P
Street Schellhase	P
Layne Morrill	A

Staff Members	
Bobbi Price, City Manager	Neal Morphis, City Clerk

III. [Yachats City Council goals](#) and the related roles and responsibilities of Yachats Commissions: City Manager Price presented the Yachats Library Commission and other commissions with the Yachats City Council's goals and emphasized the importance of collaboration among the City Council, city manager, and staff to clarify roles and responsibilities. The organizational structure was outlined. Price noted the need for clarity in commission roles, particularly since many existing rules were established before the current management structure, aiming for a more unified and efficient governance model.

IV. Reports

- A. Budget Report - No report this month.
- B. [Library Expansion Status Report](#) (Neal Morphis)- Morphis highlighted some updates on how things are going with the library's plans, highlighting funding, construction schedules, and involving the community. There have been some bumps in the road, like budget issues and logistics, along with how they plan to tackle those problems.
- C. [Discussion and possible vote to recommend Marg Petersen](#) to the Yachats City Council for inclusion on the Yachats Library Commission - Marg Petersen discussed her library science experience and vision for enhancing community engagement; emphasized adapting services to meet patrons' evolving needs, expanding digital resources, and initiating

community programs; collaboration with local organizations to create a vibrant space and stressed her commitment to inclusivity.

Motion:	The motion was made to accept Marg Petersen as a member of the Library Committee and forward this recommendation to the City Council for approval.			
Moved:				
Ayes:	Schellhase and Rivinus	Nays: 0	Absent: Morrill - 1	Recused: 0
Passed:	2/1			

- D. [Discussion regarding the future role of the Library Commission](#) -The discussion about the library commission’s role revolved around clarifying responsibilities and aligning with the city’s goals. Members stressed the importance of collaboration with other departments and recognized their position as a link between community needs and city planning. They noted the need to adapt to the current city management model to ensure everyone understands the commission's functions, focusing on enhancing library services for the community.
- E. [From the Library Administrator](#) ([Link](#))([Link](#))- The library administrator's report summarized recent improvements in services and programs, noting increased participation in community events and the addition of new digital resources. It presented statistics showing positive trends in library usage, including circulation and program attendance. The report also addressed challenges like budget constraints and staffing needs and provided strategies to overcome them. The administrator emphasized enhancing facilities and reaching underserved populations, reinforcing the library's commitment to meeting community needs while adapting to changes.
- F. [From Friends of Yachats Library](#), Sandy Dunn reported for the Friends of the Library and highlighted recent fundraising activities, including successful book sales and community outreach efforts. It detailed the funds raised and their allocation towards enhancing library services, such as acquiring new books and supporting programs. The group also focused on recruiting new members and volunteers to bolster support for the library. The report underscored the Friends' essential role in enriching the library experience and ensuring sustainability.

Adjourn Yachats Library Commission Meeting 11:39 am

Minutes prepared by Kimmie Jackson, City Recorder