
MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD

PURPOSE:

The Municipal Library Board is an autonomous legal entity governed by the Alberta Libraries Act. The Municipal Library Board is locally governed by [Bylaw 1224/18](#). Intellectual freedom is a key value for public libraries around the world. As a public library board, you have the responsibility to support intellectual freedom and the confidentiality of patron records.

FUNCTION AND DUTIES:

Library Boards are corporations, with full management and control. They develop a Plan of Service with service goals and objectives that are appropriate to the community they serve. The Board develops bylaws and policies for the management, organization, operation and use of the municipal library.

As a Library Trustee you have several ethical responsibilities as a board member. You must want to serve as a trustee. You must endorse, without reservation, the mission of the library board and you must believe in the value of libraries.

TERM OF OFFICE:

Term up to three (3) years;

Shall not exceed three (3) consecutive terms, or nine (9) consecutive years.

MEMBERSHIP:

Minimum of five (5) and a maximum of ten (10) members appointed by Council;

Two (2) members of Council appointed annually at the Organizational Meeting.

MEETING TIMES:

Meets the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm;

Agenda packages are distributed the Friday prior to each meeting enabling members the time required to arrive at meetings prepared.

TRAINING:

Board Package and orientation session is provided for new members. Public Library Services Branch provides Library Trustee's further training throughout their term as well as the opportunity to attend the annual Alberta Library Association Conference.