ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL


ARTICLE II. LIBRARY BOARD

Sec. 26-20. Created.

There is hereby created a Municipal Library Board in and for the town.
(Code 1979, § 13-16; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 1, 6-6-1977)


The municipal library board shall be composed of five members appointed by the mayor, with the council's advice and consent, and two ex officio members, including the chairperson of the board of county commissioners or a member of said board appointed by the chairperson, and a member of the town council appointed by the mayor.
(Code 1979, § 13-17; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 1, 6-6-1977)

Sec. 26-22. Terms; appointments.

Appointments of the municipal library board members shall be made for the following terms of office:

(1) Members shall be appointed to three-year terms; and

(2) Ex officio members shall be appointed for their respective elected or appointed terms of public office.
(Code 1979, § 13-18; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 2, 6-6-1977)

Sec. 26-23. Qualifications.

Members of the municipal library board shall be residents of the county and shall have an active interest and recognized ability in the field of development, maintenance and administration of public library facilities and programs for the benefit of persons of all ages in the community.
(Code 1979, § 13-19; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 3, 6-6-1977)


The municipal library board will select a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary at the first meeting of each fiscal year.
(Code 1979, § 13-20; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 4, 6-6-1977; Ord. No. 1116, § 32.01(e), 4-25-2006)

Sec. 26-25. Meetings; removal; hearing.

The municipal library board shall meet regularly on Wednesday, at an hour determined by the board, of the second week of each month and at such other times and places as the chairperson may designate with notification as deemed necessary. The library board is a working board; therefore, absences are discouraged. After three unexplained absences, a board member will be presumed to have resigned, and the chairperson will consult with the mayor for a replacement. Any board member aggrieved by the determination of a presumed resignation may request, within ten days from receipt of written notice that the resignation is effective, a public hearing before the council. If the council determines by a majority vote of the councilors present at the hearing, that the aggrieved board member did have three unexplained absences, or if no public hearing is requested within the ten-day period, the resignation shall be presumed and the mayor, with the council's advice and consent, shall appoint a new member to complete the term of the resigning member. Public notice of meetings shall be in compliance with the New Mexico Open Meetings Act (NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1 et seq.).
Sec. 26-26. Quorum.

A quorum for the transaction of business of the municipal library board shall consist of three members.  

Sec. 26-27. Duties.

The municipal library board shall advise and assist the library director in the supervision and maintenance of the public library located in the town and recommend rules, regulations, and policies to the town manager pertaining to the efficient operation of the library.  


Annually, the town council shall appropriate sufficient funds to carry out the supervision, maintenance and operation of the public library. All actions and authorizations for the expenditure of funds realized from memorials and gifts shall be valid only upon the approval of the library board and adoption thereof by a majority of the quorum present.  
(Code 1979, § 13-24; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 6, 6-6-1977)

Sec. 26-29. Recommending agreements; disclaimer of liability.

The municipal library board shall recommend to the town council the entering into of agreements deemed beneficial and in keeping with the best interest of the town with the board of county commissioners, the state, the United States of America or any governmental department or agency thereof for the purpose of expanding, supervising, maintaining or operating the public library and also with any club, organization or group for the placement of books, exhibits or collections in said library, but in so doing and by such agreements, the town shall not have nor incur any financial responsibility by reason thereof.  
(Code 1979, § 13-25; Code 2005, § 32.01; Ord. No. 610, § 7, 6-6-1977)