

CHAPTER 4

PUBLIC LIBRARY AND LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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3-4-1: PUBLIC LIBRARY ESTABLISHED:

There is established a free public library to be known as the Artesia Public Library. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016)

3-4-2: BOARD OF TRUSTEES CREATED; MEMBERSHIP; APPOINTMENT AND TERM; VACANCIES:

The Artesia Public Library board of trustees is created. It shall consist of nine (9) members appointed, as provided by law, by the mayor with the approval of the city council. Members of the board shall be appointed for staggered terms of three (3) years or less so that the terms of three (3) members expire each year. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the board shall be filled by appointment as provided by law by the mayor for the unexpired term. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016)

3-4-3: RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT; TERM LIMITS:

Each member of the board shall reside within ten (10) miles of the intersection of 13th and Main Streets, Artesia, New Mexico. No member of the board shall, after serving two (2) full consecutive terms, be eligible to serve as a member of the board until one full term has intervened. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016)

3-4-4: ORGANIZATION:

A. Officers: The board shall annually elect from its membership a president, vice-president and secretary. Officers of the board shall hold office for a term of one year.

B. Meetings: The board shall meet no less than nine (9) times per year at the Artesia Public Library and at the time set by the board and at other times upon the call of the chairman or a majority of the members of the board. Members of the Board may be dropped after three unexcused absences during any one (1) fiscal year.

C. Quorum: A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. The act of a majority of the board present shall be the act of the board. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016; amd. Ord. 1064, 2-11-2020)

3-4-5: POWERS AND DUTIES:

The board of trustees shall:

- A. Establish policies for the administration of the Artesia Public Library;
- B. Notify the mayor of any vacancies on the board and suggest to the mayor persons to fill vacancies on the board;
- C. Recommend to the city council any action to maintain or administer the Artesia Public Library;
- D. Keep a record of its proceedings;
- E. Exercise all other powers granted by the city council and all powers necessary to perform its duties under this chapter; and
- G. Perform all other duties required by the city council. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016; amd. Ord. 1064, 2-11-2020)

3-4-6: SEVERABILITY:

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this chapter shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this chapter. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016)

3-4-7: REPEALER CLAUSE:

All ordinances, or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any ordinance or part of any ordinance heretofore repealed. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016; amd. Ord. 1064, 2-11-2020)

3-4-8: EFFECTIVE DATE:

This chapter shall become effective five (5) days after publication as provided by law. (Ord. 995, 4-26-2016; amd. Ord. 1064, 2-11-2020)