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- Impact of changes to service hours are hard to determine due to having 2 holiday weekends in January. Average gate count for Sundays was around 500.

- Other changes required due to reduction in personnel budget
  - Three book drops closed
    - Fire Station 71—White Spar
    - Fire Station 75—Lee Blvd
    - Goodwill Store and Donation Center—Iron Springs Road
    - Closure of book pick up lockers at Rowle P. Simmons Community Center (Adult Center)

- Reduction of materials budget by \$40,000
  - Reductions were made in the following areas:
    - Operating supplies
    - Periodical subscriptions (38 titles)
    - Database subscriptions (8 subscriptions)
    - Book budget
    - Automation contingency

- Increase in fees by \$25,000
  - The following charges will apply to meeting room use as of July 1, 2016

|                        | Up to 2 hours | 2-4 hours | 4-8 hours |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Founders Suite A or B  | 15            | 25        | 40        |
| Founders Suite A and B | 30            | 50        | 75        |
| Computer Lab           | 30            | 50        | 75        |
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- It is looking more unlikely that \$25,000 will be generated.
  - Most groups don't have dues structures.
  - Some of the groups are already contacting PV library to meet there.
  - There are groups that have made and paid for reservations for rooms into July.

- Question was raised about holding events at the library to raise money.
  - Jazz in the Stacks was a successful fundraiser when raising money for the construction of the building.

- Since construction little money was raised with the events, although the served the purpose of reminding people of the importance of a library and most likely generated donations to the Friends of the Library.
- Question was asked about the possibility of a sales tax to specifically support the library
  - Prescott's city charter would require a vote to impose an additional sales tax.
  - The library is currently part of the Yavapai Library District which generates operational funds through a property tax
  - It is unlikely that it would be allowed to tax people twice for the same service.
  - A property tax to specifically support a city library is allowed by Arizona law, but the same objection as above would most likely apply
- Question was asked about why charges can't be levied for using the library.
  - The Prescott Public Library is part of the Yavapai Free Library District Free library and requires that core services be offered at no charge
  - Charging for core services would be contrary to the agreement with Yavapai Library Network and the definition of a free library as defined by both Yavapai County Free Library District and the Arizona State Library
  - Not being defined as a free public library would jeopardize sharing in County Library Tax monies.
  - Prescott Public Library will receive about \$600,000 in FY16 From YCFLD—about 25% of the total library budget
- Statement was made the Library Advisory Board Committee needs to do something to keep the library open on Sunday. What can be done?
  - Comments were made that the library is charging for all services that it can without risking losing the County Library Tax money.
  - The Friends of the Prescott Public Library are the fundraising arm of the library
  - Suggestion was made that members of the Library Advisory Board meet with the Friends of the Library Board to determine whether coordinated efforts to increase revenue for the library could be made.
  - Library Advisory Chair requested that Library Director request that members attend the April 12 Friends of the Library Board meeting.
- b. Future revenue enhancement ideas
  - There is preliminary discussion about utilizing a room off the current server room for business rental
  - Suggestion was made to coordinate with Chamber of Commerce, Small Business Development Center and Young Professionals of Prescott about marketing and possible uses.

- c. FY2017 budget outlook
    - Library will submit a flat budget
    - Factors impacting the final budget will include
      - PSPRS
      - Compensation study implementation
      - Internal charges changes
    - Final meeting with City Manager about the library budget will be at the end of April
  
  - d. Update on Library Board appointments  
Applications for city boards will go to the Council Appointment Committee the week of February 16.  
Appointments will be made at City Council meeting on March 15
  
  - e. Setting of future meeting dates  
Next meeting will be April 20, 2016 at 3:15 p.m.
  
  - f. Items to be included in next meeting agenda.  
Updates  
Welcome new members.
- v. Adjournment  
Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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**DEB McCASLAND**, Chairman

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**ROGER SAFT**