

CHAPTER 20

ARTICLE I. LIBRARY

Sec. 20 01. Library Established.

A public library and reading room for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the City is hereby created and established, to be known as The Kankakee Public Library, referred to in this chapter as the library. (Code 1965, Sec. 4 13)

Sec. 20-01.1. Library declared historic site.

- (a) Upon the recommendation of the Historical Preservation Commission, It is the findings of the City Council of the City of Kankakee that the Kankakee Public Library situated on the southeast corner of the intersection of Station Street and Indiana Avenue in the City of Kankakee is of unique historical value and its preservation is necessary to the beauty and culture of the City.
- (b) The Kankakee Public Library is hereby designated an historical landmark and is therefore under the authority of the Kankakee Historical Preservation Commission created by Ordinance No. 85 43.
- (c) No alterations, interior construction which affect structural members, exterior construction or exterior demolition may be performed on said structure, except as shall be approved by a certificate of appropriateness. (Ord. No. 89 06, Sec. 1, 3—b—89)

Editor's Note ---Ord. No.77 1, adopted Jan. 3, 1977, did not specifically amend this Code; hence inclusion of Secs. 1 4 as Sec. 20 1.1 was at the discretion of the editor.

*Cross Reference Maintenance authority of City Librarian, Sec. 2 10(e).

State law reference Libraries, Ill. Rev. Stat. Ch. 81.

Sec. 20 02. Tax levy for library.

For the purpose of maintaining the public library, it shall be the duty of the City Council to levy a tax of not to exceed two (2) mills on the dollar annually on all taxable property of the City, which tax shall be levied and collected in like manner with the general taxes of the City, and shall be known as the library fund. (Code 1965, Sec. 4.13; Ord. No 78 4, Sec. 1, 2 6 78)

Sec. 20 03. Board of directors for library.

The board of directors for the library shall consist of nine (9) directors. The Mayor shall be a member and he shall appoint the other eight (8) members. The other directors shall serve for three (3) year terms. The Mayor shall, on or before May first of each year, appoint directors to take the place of retiring directors, who shall hold office until their successors are appointed. (Code 1965, Sec. 4.13; Ord. No. 78 4, Sec. 1, 2 6 78)

Sec. 20 04. Powers of board of directors - library.

The board of directors for the library shall have the exclusive control of the expenditures of all moneys credited to the library fund and of the construction or leasing of any building or rooms set apart for the purpose of a public library and reading room, and shall have the supervision, care and custody of the same. They shall also have power to purchase or lease grounds, to occupy, lease or erect a building or rooms for the use of the library and to provide the necessary furniture and fixtures for the same to make and adopt such by laws, rules and regulations for their own guidance and for the government of such library and reading rooms as may be expedient; to appoint a suitable librarian and assistants if necessary, and to fix their compensation, and shall in general have such powers as may best carry out the spirit and

intent of this section in establishing and maintaining a public library and reading room. (Code 1965, Sec.4 13)

Sec. 20 05. Annual report - by library board.

The board of directors for the library shall, on or before the close of business on May 15, make an annual report to the City Council, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of May of that year. (Code 1965, Sec. 4 13)

Sec. 20 06. Employees' retirement - Library.

Every library employee shall be retired at the age of sixty-five (65) years, which limit shall be extended only by a majority vote of the board of directors. (Code 1965, Sec. 4 13)

Sec.20 07. Use of facilities in the library.

The public library shall be free to the use of the inhabitants of the city, subject to such regulations as the board of directors may adopt. The board may in its discretion extend the use of the library to persons outside the City upon such terms and conditions as the board may prescribe. (Code 1965, Sec. 4-14)

Sec. 20 08. Library fund.

All moneys collected for the use of the library by taxation, and all moneys collected by gift or donation, unless otherwise provided, shall be deposited in the city treasury, and shall be kept separate and apart from other moneys therein, in a fund to be known as the library fund, to be drawn upon by the proper city officers, upon the properly authenticated vouchers of the library board or its authorized officers, in the same manner as salaries of city officers are paid. (Code 1965, Sec.4 14)

Sec. 20 09. Injury to property of library prohibited.

No person shall willfully or maliciously cut, write upon, injure, deface, tear or destroy any book, newspaper, picture or other property belonging to the library. (Code 1965, Sec. 4 14)

Sec. 20 10. Failure to return library material.

Any person who shall fail to return loaned library material or materials, including, but not limited to, books, tapes, videotapes, periodicals, magazines, artworks, phonograph records or recordings or compact discs and the like, at the time and according to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors, shall in addition to the cost of said material, be liable for a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) and not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Said fine shall be Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) if paid within fourteen (14) days from the date of such notice hereof, One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) if paid within thirty (30) days of the date of notice and if not paid within thirty (30) days, it shall be determined by the Administrative Adjudication Hearing Officer pursuant to Section 36-12 of this Code. (Ord. No. 80 26, Sec. 2, 4 21 80; Ord. No. 98-88, 20-10, 11-2-98).

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