

CHAPTER 12

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1. The Emmaus Public Library is hereby authorized and designated to act as the legal agent of the Borough of Emmaus to provide public library service to the residents and taxpayers of the Borough for and on behalf of the Borough of Emmaus.

2. Borough agrees to maintain or assist in the maintenance of the Emmaus Public Library in accordance with the provisions of Section 401, of the Library Code, Act of June 14, 1961, P.L. 324.

3. The Emmaus Public Library shall be operated by a Library Board of Directors consisting of nine (9) people to be appointed in accordance with §411 et seq., of the Library Code, supra, in the following manner:

A. Six (6) people to be appointed by the Borough Council of Emmaus.

B. One (1) person to be appointed by the Borough of Macungie. [Ord. 939]

C. Two (2) persons to be appointed by the Township of Upper Milford. [Ord. 939]

Each representative to serve for a term of three (3) years beginning on May 1, 1965; provided that of the first appointees two (2) Directors shall be appointed for terms expiring December 31, 1966, and three (3) members shall be appointed for terms expiring December 31, 1967. All appointments to fill the places of those Directors whose terms expire shall be for a term of three (3) years. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired terms and shall be filled by appointment of the municipality sponsoring the vacated position within two (2) months of said vacancy occurring. No member of the Board of Directors shall receive any salary for his service as such. [Ord. 790]

4. The Board of Library Directors shall organize as soon as may be after appointment by electing a President, Secretary, and Treasurer from its membership and such other officers and agents as the Board may deem necessary. The Treasurer shall give bond to the Borough of Emmaus with satisfactory surety in such amount as the Board of Directors of the library may determine in accord with Section 412 of the Library Code supra.

5. The Council of the Borough of Emmaus shall make an annual appropriation out of its general budget, or from a special tax levy, if so desired by it, to maintain or assist in the maintenance of the Emmaus Public Library.

6. All moneys appropriated for the establishment and/or maintenance of a local library and all moneys, if any, received from other sources for its use, shall be disbursed under the direction of the Board of Library Directors.

7. The Board of Directors of the library shall make a report annually, to Council of the Borough of Emmaus, of the moneys received by such library and the disposition made thereof, and Borough Council shall arrange to have the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the library audited annually as in the case of other municipal expenditures.

8. The Board of Directors of the library shall prepare and present to the Borough Council and to the State Library in Harrisburg such annual reports as are required by Section 414 of the Library Code, supra.

9. The Board of Directors of the library shall give free library service to the residents and taxpayers, subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the Board of Library Directors may adopt, and the Board may exclude from the library any person who wilfully violates such rules, all as provided in Section 415 of the Library Code, supra.

(Ord. 412, 4/19/1965, §§1-9; as amended by Ord. 683, 9/21/1987; by Ord. 790, 5/16/1994, §1; and by Ord. 939, 12/3/2001)