

ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 22, 2024

RPL Nordlof Center, 118 N. Main St.

Large Multipurpose Room

Meeting Minutes

A quorum being present Board President Paul Logli called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Members present: Paul Logli, Henrietta Dotson-Williams, Molly Brauns, Colleen O'Brien, Janet Moore, Brad Long, Dennis Horton

Members Absent: Jamie Getchius and Cesar Sanchez

Others present: Board Attorney John Reardon

Staff present: Lynn Stainbrook, Anthony Cortez, Erin Stachowiak, Anne O'Keefe

Public Speakers: None

Financial Report

1. **Monthly Financial Statements:** Monthly Financial Statements: Anthony Cortez submitted financial statements for the month ending December 31, 2023, and reviewed them with the Trustees. Discussion followed. The Financial Statements were accepted subject to final audit.

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meetings were presented to the Board. Hearing no questions or corrections to the minutes, President Logli approved the minutes.

A.

Officers Reports

Board President Paul Logli – No report

Vice President Molly Brauns No Report

Secretary Treasurer Jamie Getchius – Not Present

B.

Committees

Financial Planning and Properties Committee

- a. Approve Purchase Contract for the Sale of Hart Interim Library to the City of Rockford [action]: President Paul Logli introduced the sales contract to the Board noting that it has not been approved by RPL Attorney Sherry Harlan or City Attorney Nick Meyer. The City is purchasing the building for the full asking price of \$795,000. RPL, per the contract with ComEd, will receive \$325,000 from the sale. A motion to approve the sales contract after review by RPL and City Attorneys passed unanimously through committee. The contract was placed up for approval. A Roll Call vote was taken: Paul Logli-Yes, Molly Brauns- Yes, Brad Long- Yes, Henrietta Dotson-Williams-Yes, Janet Moore-Yes, Dennis Horton-Yes, Colleen O'Brien-Yes. The item passed.
- b. Affirm Change Orders #186, 188-192, 194, 197-199, 201[action]: President Paul Logli discussed each change order and the additional costs or credits associated with each. Discussion followed. The Changes orders were placed up for affirmation. A Roll Call vote Paul Logli-Yes, Brad Long- Yes, Molly Brauns- Yes, Henrietta Dotson-Williams-Yes, Janet Moore-Yes, Dennis Horton-Yes, Colleen O'Brien-Yes. The item passed.

- c. Approve GMP Contract with Scandroli for Replacement Main [action]: Director Stainbrook and President Paul Logli introduced the GMP agreement between RPL and Scandroli construction required by ComED to the Board. The Guaranteed Maximum Price was \$40,194,859.21. The final all in price submitted by Joe Scandroli and reviewed by Attorney Reardon is \$46,361,888.21. Discussion followed. The GMP Contract was placed up for passage. By unanimous Voice Vote, the item passed.
- d. Construction and Architect/Engineering Requests for Additional Funds for Replacement Main [action]: President Paul Logli introduced the requests to the Board explaining that the Replacement Main Project has lasted longer than originally planned. With the extra time, Engineering/Architectural and Construction costs continued to accrue. Architectural & Engineering request is for \$118,450. Construction request is for \$347,553. The amount requested is less than the actual cost to each entity per the documents provided. Discussion followed. The item was placed up for passage. A Roll Call vote was taken: Paul Logli-Yes, Molly Brauns- Yes, Brad Long- Yes, Henrietta Dotson-Williams-Yes, Janet Moore-Yes, Dennis Horton-Yes, Colleen O'Brien-Yes. The item passed unanimously.
- e. Approve Per Capita Grant Application [action]: Paul Logli introduced the grant application to the Board. The grant is done on a yearly basis and the amount received by RPL is based on the population served. Discussion Followed. The item was placed up for passage. By Voice Vote, the item passed unanimously.
- f. Approve WREX Donor Agreement and Camera Contract [action]: President Paul Logli and Lynn Stainbrook explained the Camera Contract allows WREX to place a camera on the roof of the Replacement Main Library. Board Attorney John Rearden reviewed the agreement. In addition, WREX has agreed to donate \$10K to RPL over 5 years with in-trade airtime as well. Discussion followed. The item was placed up for passage. By Voice Vote, the motion passed unanimously.

C. Policies And Services Committee-No Action Items

Staff Reports

Director Stainbrook praised the work being done by Bridget Finn, Director of Marketing and encouraged the Board to read all the Staff Reports

Unfinished Business

Vice President Molly Brauns asked that Trustees Moore and Logli share their experiences regarding the first Donor Tour of Replacement Main. Discussion followed.

New Business

Board President Paul Logli, on behalf of Development Director Brook Loomis addressed the Board regarding a pledge to the Replacement Main fund. Specifically, he suggested the Board pledge \$30K over a three-year period. Noting that publicly appointed boards are not usually asked to support an entity financially, he encouraged the Board to participate in giving a "Legacy" gift to RPL. Discussion followed.

President Logli adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, February 26, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Large Multipurpose Room of the RPL Nordlof Center, 118 North Main Street [use south entrance].

Mary Pat Muzzarelli
Recorder