

**ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Annual Meeting**  
**July 22, 2024**  
**Boardroom, Main Library**  
**215 N. Wyman St.**  
**Meeting Minutes**

A quorum being present Board President Paul Logli called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Members present: Paul Logli, Molly Brauns, Jamie Getchius, Dennis Horton, Henrietta Dotson-Williams, Colleen O'Brien, Brad Long, Cesar Sanchez

Members Absent: Janet Moore

Others present: Board Attorney John Rearden, Fehr Graham representatives Ross Grimes and Tyler Nelson.

Staff present: Lynn Stainbrook, Anthony Cortez, Anne O'Keefe, Erin Stachowiak, D'awnna Mims, Brook Loomis, Bridget Finn

**Public Speakers:** None

**Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meetings were presented to the Board. Hearing no objection the Minutes were approved.

**Financial Report**

**Monthly Financial Statements:** Monthly Financial Statements: Anthony Cortez submitted financial statements for the month ending June 2024 and reviewed them with the Trustees. Discussion followed. The Financial Statements were accepted subject to final audit.

**Officers Reports**

Board President Paul Logli – None

Vice President Molly Brauns -None

Secretary Treasurer Jamie Getchius – Secretary Getchius informed the Board of his presence at Rockford City Council and Finance meetings in the last few weeks. Secretary Getchius attended meetings as a representative of RPL while the union labor contract was up for approval by the council. In addition, he represented RPL while negotiating an intergovernmental agreement asking the City to share the cost up to \$375,000, for the demolition of 227 N. Wyman.

**Committees**

**Financial Planning and Properties Committee**

- a. Affirm Change Orders #232,241-246,256-257 [action]: Secretary Getchius presented Change orders to the Trustees. Discussion followed. The Change Orders were placed up for affirmation. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the change orders were affirmed by the Board.
- b. Approve Demo Planning & Assist Proposal [action]: Jamie Getchius introduced a proposal from Fehr Graham to assist the Library in the surveying, structural analysis, environmental and civil engineering designs necessary to provide a bid package for demolition of 227 Wyman. Ross Grimes, representing Fehr Graham, shared additional details regarding the proposal. Discussion Followed. By a

unanimous Roll Call Vote, the proposal was approved, subject to minor modifications to be made by Library attorney.

- c. Approve Agreement with City for Demolition of 227 Wyman[action]: Secretary Getchius placed the agreement up for passage. By a Roll Call Vote, the Board approved the agreement.

#### **Policies & Servies**

- a. Approve Changes to Policy 5.1-Meeting Rooms and Appendix [action]: Vice President Brauns introduced committee approved changes to Policy 5.1 Discussion followed. By Unanimous Voice Vote, the changes to Policy 5.1 were approved.
- b. Approve Changes to Policy 5.6 Code of Conduct [action]: Vice President Brauns introduced committee approved changes to Policy 5.6. Discussion followed. By Unanimous Voice Vote, the changes to Policy 5.6 were approved.
- c. Approve Changes to Policy 5.8-Alcoholic Beverages [action]: Vice President Brauns introduced committee approved changes to Policy 5.8 – Alcoholic Beverages. Discussion followed. By Unanimous Voice Vote the changes to Policy 5.8 were approved.

#### **Election of Officers**

President Logli announced the Slate for elections and called for nominations from the floor. Having no nominations from the floor, a motion to approve the slate was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Brad Long. By Unanimous Voice Vote, the slate was approved.

President-Paul Logli

Vice President-Molly Brauns

Secretary Treasurer-Jamie Getchius.

#### **Board Retreat Discussion**

The Board of Trustees, after discussion, decided to schedule the Board retreat for October 5, 2024. The retreat will be held in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor event space of the Main Library from 8am until noon. Discussion followed regarding potential topics.

#### **Staff Reports**

Director Stainbrook thanked staff for their continued hard work. Discussion followed.

#### **Unfinished Business-None.**

#### **New Business-None**

President Logli adjourned the meeting at 6:51 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, Rockford Public Library Main Branch

Mary Pat Muzzarelli

Recorder