

ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 23, 2024

Boardroom, Main Library

215 N. Wyman St.

Meeting Minutes

A quorum being present Board President Paul Logli called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

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

Members Absent: Brad Long, Janet Moore

Others present: Board Attorney John Rearden

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

Public Speakers: None

Minutes

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

Financial Report

1. **Monthly Financial Statements:** Monthly Financial Statements: Anthony Cortez submitted financial statements for the month ending August 31, 2024, and reviewed them with the committee. Mr. Cortez spoke in detail regarding the Replacement Tax income line. 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 relayed his appreciation to the Development Department for the recent AOHS Fundraiser and the supporting documents that seek to inform the public of the need for such a program.

Committees

Financial Planning and Properties Committee

- a. Affirm Change Orders #236,238 [action]: Jamie Getchius introduced the change orders to the Board. Discussion followed. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the change orders were affirmed.
- b. Approve Underground Parking Fee Schedule [action]: Jamie Getchius and Anthony Cortez introduced a memo to the Board asking for approval of the fee schedule created for public parking in the RPL underground garage. With validation, the first 3hours of parking are free to library customers, with a \$10 fee accruing hourly after that period. Discussion followed. By a unanimous Voice Vote, the fee schedule was approved.
- c. Approve 2025 Budget for RPL [action]: Jamie Getchius and Anthony Cortez introduced the 2025 budget to the Board, indicating that due to many factors including the reduction in replacement taxes and increase in building maintenance expenses, the 2025 budget

contains a \$1 million dollar deficit that may be offset by a 3-year maximum tax levy increase. Discussion followed. By a Roll Call Vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Policies & Services

No Action Items were presented

Staff Reports-None.

Unfinished Business-None.

New Business

- a. Approve Underground Parking Policy 5.10 [action]: Molly Brauns introduced the policy to the Board and Director Stainbrook added that the policy is straight forward and includes signage regarding the parking payment process located in both the garage and at the validation station in the Main Library. By Unanimous Voice Vote the Policy passed.
- b. Approve rescheduling the November and December Board Meetings to one meeting on December 2, 2024. [action] President Logli introduced the item to the Board stating it is a change in the schedule made every year. Discussion followed. By unanimous Voice Vote, the rescheduling was approved.

With no further business, President Logli adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, October 28, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, Rockford Public Library Main Branch

Mary Pat Muzzarelli
Recorder