

# **ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**January 27, 2024**

**Boardroom, Main Library**

**215 N. Wyman St.**

**Meeting Minutes**

A quorum being present President Logli called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Members present: Paul Logli, Jamie Getchius (arrived at 6:11 pm) Janet Moore, Colleen O'Brien, Dennis Horton

Brad Long (via Teams)

Members Absent: Molly Brauns, Henrietta Dotson-Williams and Cesar Sanchez

Others present: Board Attorney John Rearden, Tony Scandrolì, Kevin Behling, Erin O'Keefe and Jennifer Spencer

Staff present: Lynn Stainbrook, Anne O'Keefe, Bridget Finn, Brook Loomis, Erin Stachowiak, Noel Devine and Andrew Fischer

**Public Speakers:** None

## **Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meetings were presented to the Board. Hearing no objections from the Trustees, the minutes were approved.

## **Financial Report**

**1. Monthly Financial Statements:** Monthly Financial Statements: Director of Finance, Anthony Cortez, is not in attendance. The financial statement ending December 31, 2024 will be presented at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

### **2. Reports**

#### **A. Officer's Reports**

Board President Paul Logli – At Policies & Services Committee the responsible bidder policy was laid over for more information and a request was made of the collection department to provide further information on weeding of materials.

Vice President Molly Brauns -Not in attendance

Secretary Treasurer Jamie Getchius -No Report

**3. Staff Reports-No Discussion**

**4. Unfinished Business**

a. Review of Replacement Main Building Project with Architects and Scandrolì  
Construction:

Director Stainbrook introduced the guests to the Board: Tony Scandrolì, Kevin Behling, Jennifer Spencer and Erin O'Keefe. Trustee Long requested the meeting to discuss the building and construction process to date. Paul Logli began the discussion by asking about the functionality of the underground parking space. Director of Facilities Noel Devine discussed the issues currently impeding the garage opening.

Discussion continued regarding the Main Library HVAC, electrical and technological systems. Andrew Fischer, IT Supervisor, also reported ongoing issues with the shades, room reservations, wi-fi accessibility and more.

Kevin Behling, from Scandrolì Construction asked for the information and communications Noel/RPL has been having with different suppliers/ manufacturers.

Warranties will be void in May of 2025.

b. At 6:56 pm President Logli asked for a motion to go into closed session under:

**Closed session under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)** *The appointment, employment, Compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.*

A motion to go into a closed session with Board Attorney John Rearden present was made at 6:58 pm by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Janet Moore. By unanimous Roll Call Vote, the motion passed.

At 7:36 pm a motion to return to an open session was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Colleen O'Brien. By unanimous Voice Vote, the motion passed, and the trustees returned to open session.

No Action was taken.

**New Business-** There may be a special meeting called next week to review bids for the demolition of the building at 222 N. Wyman.

President Logli adjourned the meeting at 7:36 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, February 24, 2025, at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, Rockford Public Library Main Branch

Mary Pat Muzzarelli  
Recorder