Rockford Public Library
Board of Trustees
Financial Planning & Properties Committee

Monday, September 28, 2026, 5:30 pm
Boardroom, RPL Main Branch
215 N. Wyman St

**MINUTES**

Members present: Paul Logli, Jamie Getchius, Lafa Reuter
Members Absent: Cesar Sanchez, Michael Laskonis
Other members present: Molly Brauns
Staff present: Anthony Cortez, Andrew Fischer, Anne O'Keefe, Mary Pat Muzzarelli, Dajana Glisic
Others Present:

With a quorum present, Finance Chair Paul Logli called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Speakers: None.

1. Monthly Financial Statements: Finance Director Glisic presented Financial Statements to the Board for the month ending August 2026. Discussion followed. The Financial Statements were accepted subject to audit.

2. Approve 2027 Fee Schedule [action]: Director Glisic presented 2026 and proposed 2027 Fee Schedule to the committee. The Fog Machine, available for use at the Nordlof has been removed, and several items pertaining to Chrome Books have been added to the fee schedule under Replacement cost. Discussion followed.
   Finance Chair Logli asked for a motion to approve the 2027 Fee Schedule. A motion was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Lafa Reuter. With a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the motion passed.

3. Approve RPL 2027 Budget [action]: Finance Director Glisic presented the proposed 2027 budget to the committee, with departmental breakdowns. Describing the budget as providing a slight surplus with an expected increase in Property Tax Revenue and Replacement Tax, Glisic also indicated that economic conditions would affect distribution. While personnel spending remains flat, Labor negotiations are set to begin. The 2027 Budget is presented as a conservative approach to the coming year. Chairperson Logli made detailed inquiry into the cost of benefits and the relationship to salary costs. Cost of benefits is comprised of certain fixed costs as well as benefits elections. Trustee Reuter asked what had changed in the collection of fees to increase income and asked if a Budget Amendment was needed once the new labor contract is negotiated. Discussion followed. A motion to approve the RPL 2027 Budget was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Lafa Reuter. With a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the motion passed.

4. Approve Natural Gas Contract [action]: Chairperson Logli introduced the new Natural Gas Aggregation Rate from the Finance Director for which RPL entered into a 2-year fixed rate contract. Discussion Followed. A motion to approve the contract was made by Jamie Getchus and seconded by Lafa Reuter. With a unanimous Voice Vote the motion passed.

5. Old Business: None
6. New Business: None

With no further business before the committee a motion to adjourn was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Lafa Reuter, Chairman Logli adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

Next Financial Planning & Properties Committee Meeting will be held Monday, October 26, 2026, at 5:30 pm in the Boardroom, Rockford Public Library, Main Branch, 215 N. Wyman Street. Rockford, IL 61101

Respectfully,
Mary Pat Muzzarelli, Recorder