## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the Barrington Public Library District was held on November 14, 2011, in the Conference Room of the Barrington Area Library pursuant to notices sent to the press and the board on November 10, 2011.

## Present and acting as trustees:

Donald F. Minner, President Carolyn Welch Clifford, Vice President Henry G. Wisniewski, Treasurer Kathleen A. Peterson, Secretary Richard J. Ryan, President Emeritus Barbara A. Pintozzi William J. Pizzi

## Also in attendance:

Detlev Pansch, Executive Director Wayne Tegeder, Friends of the Library Debbie Berger, patron Betty O'Grady, staff

President Minner called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests. He asked for approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of October 10, 2011. A typo was found and will be corrected. Mr. Wisniewski moved, and Mr. Ryan seconded, to approve those minutes as corrected.

Ayes: Minner, Clifford, Wisniewski, Peterson, Ryan, Pintozzi, Pizzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Mr. Minner requested approval of Ordinance 2011-6, the Levy Ordinance for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$6,241,483.00. He moved, and Mr. Wisniewski seconded, to approve Ordinance 2011-6, the Levy Ordinance.

Ayes: Minner, Clifford, Wisniewski, Peterson, Ryan, Pintozzi, Pizzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Mr. Wisniewski presented the Treasurer's report. Beginning balance for October was \$7,633,705.32 with receipts of \$465,437.86 and expenditures of \$370,814.05. Ending balance for October 2011 was \$7,728,329.13 which is \$1,644,773.07 greater than that of one year ago. Ms. Clifford moved, and Ms. Pintozzi seconded, to approve the Treasurer's report and bills for payment as submitted.

Ayes: Minner, Clifford, Wisniewski, Peterson, Ryan, Pintozzi, Pizzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Mr. Minner noted that the *Check It Out* newsletter is very easy to read. He likes the way things are presented.

Director Pansch presented the Executive Director's report. He said the library is on track for a December 1 Go Live date for implementing the Polaris catalog. Several rounds of training have been presented, and a "Train the Trainer" model was used.

The Village of Deer Park voted not to accept a library materials return at their Village Hall. They are only interested if there were lockers also.

Mr. Pansch investigated having an electronic sign for the library like the one the Village has on Main Street. Pricing would be between \$33,000.00 and \$55,000.00. In speaking with the Village Manager, Mr. Pansch learned that the sign could be about ten feet high and two-sided. There are approximately 27,000 cars passing the library every 24 hours.

Ms. Peterson said that if the words are shown only a short time, it is difficult to read them and drive at the same time. Mr. Pansch noted that each message has to display for at least 10 seconds according to the Village ordinance. Ms. Clifford suggested calling the architect. Mr. Pansch said he would contact several sign companies if the board wished. He asked if the board was ready to take the next step, and the board agreed.

Mr. Pansch said that the old concrete sign will be taken down when the new one is installed.

Mr. Pansch stated that Ryann Uden, Head of Youth Services, had written an article about the Media Lab that was published in the November issue of *Library Journal*.

The proposal from Engberg Anderson for the renovation project was reviewed. Construction management would be by Shales McNutt Construction. A decision on this proposal was tabled. The proposed contracts will be reviewed by the library's attorney.

There will be meetings for both board and staff with the architect and planner. Nothing will result until the board gives its approval.

Mr. Minner said that large documents are received from the architects which must be reviewed, line by line. The board would have questions of the different department heads. He recommended preparing a message to the public clearly stating why the board is considering renovation. Five main objectives could be written in the newsletter. Even if it is early, we could start planning and drafting the objectives, etc. The document could be very succinct. It would get the people excited.

Mr. Pansch said we would be doing something using our own funds on hand. The board will have to determine how much they feel comfortable borrowing to make up the remainder of the funds needed. He said that it would be nice if something was ready in the summer.

Mr. Minner noted that people like the location of the library. We are trying to make it a better place. He asked if the board could look at the subject again at the December Regular Meeting. He felt that the proposal is fine.

Director Pansch referred to policy changes that reflected something the board voted on previously. Ms. Pintozzi had also asked that the Sculpture Garden be handled in the following manner: If the library was interested in purchasing something, it would come to the board. Mr. Wisniewski moved, and Ms. Clifford seconded, to approve the revised policy for acceptance of art objects, procedures, the Sculpture Garden, and the Gallery in the Library.

Ayes: Minner, Clifford, Wisniewski, Peterson, Ryan, Pintozzi, Pizzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Ms. Pintozzi presented the Gallery in the Library liaison report. She spoke about the artist reception. She will be discussing the site specific art installations with the committee.

Mr. Tegeder presented the Friends of the Library report. The October Book Sale was very profitable with receipts of about \$14,000.00 again. The volunteers who helped with the sale seemed to be more numerous at the recent sale. One person brought in four friends! The police were at the library to keep order on Saturday afternoon.

A group in lowa plans to take many of the Friends leftover books after Thanksgiving. The next Book Sale will be in June 2012.

There was no Old Business or New Business. Mr. Ryan moved, and Mr. Wisniewski seconded, to adjourn.

Ayes: Minner, Clifford, Wisniewski, Peterson, Ryan, Pintozzi, Pizzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED. Adjournment was at 7:53 p.m.

Kathleen A. Peterson, Secretary