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 was held on April 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Barrington Area Library pursuant to notices sent to the Board and the press on April 6, 2018.

Present and acting as trustees were:

Donald F. Minner, President Carolyn Welch Clifford, Vice President Barbara Pintozzi, Secretary Denise Peters William J. Pizzi Denise Tenyer

Absent was:

Carrie F. Carr, Treasurer

Also in attendance were:

Vicki Rakowski, Interim Executive Director
Lisa Stordahl, Office Manager
Ken Friker, Attorney, Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins
Janet Agnoletti
Jackie Andiu
Jim Bateman
Jim Daluga
Jeff Lawler
Jason Lohmeyer

Melinda Lomas
Richard Peterson
Gary Polvere
Beth Raseman
Steve Raseman
Celeste Scheffler
Eleanor Sweet McDonnell
Mary Young

President Minner called the meeting to order, welcomed all present, and invited them to address the board. Ms. Janet Agnoletti, the Executive Director of the Barrington Area Council of Governments (BACOG), stated that the Village has the unanimous support of the BACOG Board for the Lake Zurich Road Realignment Project. As stated in the letter that was sent to the Library Board of Trustees on March 9, 2018, Ms. Agnoletti noted that the fully funded project is a "meaningful investment towards improved safety for the region." Ms. Melinda Lomas spoke next and read a letter she had written which reiterated her request for the library board to approve the Lake Zurich Road Realignment Project. Her letter included statements of support for the realignment from Ms. Susanne Knell, Ms. Joan Miller, and Dr. and Mrs. Francescatti. Mr. Lawler, Manager of the Village of Barrington, spoke next and provided each library board member a timeline and FAQ sheet regarding the Lake Zurich Road Realignment that highlighted the village's perspective on the matter. Ms. Beth Raseman, spoke in favor of the realignment and added that she hopes that the library board will postpone the parking lot decision until after the vote on the April 23rd. Ms. Eleanor Sweet-McDonnell stated that the library board has a fiduciary obligation to the taxpayers in the library district, noting that the vote for the parking lot bids should not occur before the board makes a decision on the Lake Zurich Road Project. She also feels the village's realignment proposal will increase safety to those who use Lake Zurich Road. Mr. Jim Daluga, a Village Trustee, also spoke in favor of the

realignment proposal. The board thanked everyone for attending the meeting and sharing their opinions on the matter.

President Minner introduced Mr. Ken Friker, the library's attorney, and invited the board and audience members to ask any questions regarding the library appraisal recently completed by MaRous and Associates. Mr. Friker noted that the appraisal was shared with the village on Friday and will be posted to the website at the conclusion of tonight's meeting. After responding to questions from the board and the public, the board thanked Mr. Friker for his time and he left the meeting.

After hearing from the public, President Minner suggested that the board postpone its vote to award the parking lot contracts until the May 14th Regular Meeting, allowing time for the board to reach a decision on the Lake Zurich Road Realignment Proposal. Mr. Wilson of Shales McNutt noted that the bids were good for ninety days but that contractors could ask for more money if the project is pushed back into the second part of construction season due to the scheduled raise in union labor fees that will go into effect in June. President Minner moved to postpone the awarding of the parking lot contracts until the May 14th Regular Meeting. Mr. Pizzi seconded the motion.

Ayes: Clifford, Minner, Peters, Pintozzi, Pizzi, Tenyer

Nays: 0 Absent: Carr Motion: CARRIED.

President Minner asked if there were questions on the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 12, 2018. There were none. Mr. Minner moved to approve the minutes of the March 12 meeting as presented. Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion. All voted aye. The motion passed unanimously.

President Minner asked the board to review the Executive Session minutes of December 11, 2017, January 8, 2018, January 9, 2018, and January 17, 2018. There were no questions on the minutes as presented. Ms. Clifford moved to approve and keep closed the Executive Session minutes of December 11, 2017, January 8, 2018, January 9, 2018, and January 17, 2018 as presented. Ms. Tenyer seconded the motion.

Ayes: Clifford, Minner, Peters, Pintozzi, Pizzi, Tenyer

Nays: 0 Absent: Carr Motion: CARRIED.

President Minner recognized Mike Cristo for his ten years of service at the library. The board asked Ms. Rakowski to thank him on their behalf.

President Minner presented the Treasurer's report due to Treasurer Carr's absence. The beginning balance was \$7,258,000.81 with receipts of \$949,657.18 and expenditures of \$677,657.82; leaving an ending balance of \$7,530,000.17. Year-to-date revenues are 75.30% of anticipated and year-to-date expenditures are 61.15% of budget. President Minner moved to

approve the Treasurer's report and bills for payment as presented. Mr. Pizzi seconded the motion.

Aves:

Clifford, Minner, Peters, Pintozzi, Pizzi, Tenyer

Nays:

Absent: Carr

Motion: CARRIED.

In the Director's report, Ms. Rakowski announced that Rose Faber, Head of Adult Services, has announced her retirement for April 27, 2018. Ms. Faber has been with the Barrington Area Library over 28 years and will be greatly missed. Ms. Faber asked Ms. Rakowski to share the following sentiment to the board. "It was a pleasure working on behalf of the Barrington Area Library for 28 plus years. As a librarian, I could not have asked for a more innovative library in which to grow professionally. I would like to thank the board for all their support. We could not have a better library board. I will miss my colleagues and library patrons. My thanks to all of you for many wonderful years."

Ms. Rakowski stated that the staff is anxiously awaiting the arrival of our new Executive Director, Mr. Henning, and noted that he will be present at the next board meeting. She thanked the board for their support during the time she served as the Interim Executive Director. The board thanked her in return for her hard work and dedication and noted that she has done excellent work over the past seven months.

Ms. Rakowski suggested that the Policy Committee meet before the next Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM on May 14, 2018. The Policy Committee members are Bill Pizzi, Chair, Carrie Carr, Carolyn Clifford, Denise Peters and Barbara Pintozzi.

There being no further business, Mr. Minner moved and Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion to adjourn.

Barbara Purtozza

Ayes:

Clifford, Minner, Peters, Pintozzi, Pizzi, Tenyer

Nays:

Absent: Carr

Motion: CARRIED.

Adjournment was at 8:43 p.m.

Secretary