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 February 13, 2017, 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 February 10, 2017.

Present and acting as trustees were:

Donald Minner, President
Carolyn Welch Clifford, Vice President (entered at 7:05 p.m.)
Carrie F. Carr, Treasurer
Barbara Pintozzi, Secretary
Denise Peters
William J. Pizzi
Denise Tenyer

Also in attendance were:

Detlev Pansch, Executive Director Nancy Lashbrook, Village Resident Brian Ruger, Village Resident Michael Mulder, Village Resident Lisa Stordahl, Staff

President Minner called the meeting to order, acknowledged the guests and asked if there were any comments. Ms. Lashbrook began by complimenting the library for all of the programs and services offered. She also mentioned the wonderful youth services area we have and what an asset the library is to the community. In addition, Ms. Lashbrook wanted to let the Library Board know that she is opposed to the Lake Zurich Road project proposed by the Village of Barrington. She stated that safety of the library patrons was her number one concern, and additionally felt that it would be a shame to lose trees and much of the green space surrounding the library. President Minner thanked her for coming and asked if anyone else wanted to address the Board. Both Mr. Ruger and Mr. Mulder introduced themselves and wanted to know the Board's reasons for their opposition to the Village's Lake Zurich Road proposal. Mr. Minner explained that the plan as proposed was not advantageous to the library for several reasons. The Board is concerned for the safety of customers entering and exiting the library, especially during peak times. There is also unease about how close the new road would be to the library which would bring additional noise into the building. Additionally, the proposed plan included no traffic control measures at the library access point to Lake Zurich Road and would add to the amount of time it would take library visitors to exit back onto Route 14. Lastly, the plan as proposed included no guarantees that future expansion opportunities wouldn't be negatively impacted by a Lake Zurich Road realignment. There being no further questions, President Minner thanked the guests for coming and invited them to stay for the remainder of the meeting.

President Minner asked if there were questions on the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 9, 2016. Ms. Pintozzi pointed out that a grammatical error was located in the second to last paragraph. The correction was made and Mr. Pizzi moved to approve the minutes of the January 9 meeting as corrected. Ms. Peters seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Aves: Minner, Clifford, Carr, Pintozzi, Peters, Pizzi, Tenyer

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion: CARRIED.

President Minner congratulated Eileen Gallagher, in Adult Services, on her fifteen year work anniversary. The Board is thankful for her service.

Ms. Carr presented the Treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$5,946,820.96 with receipts of \$288,524.16 and expenditures of \$452,033.51; leaving an ending balance of \$5,783,311.61. Year to date revenues of \$3,692,726.52 equal 51.70 percent of anticipated. Year to date expenditures of \$3,780,021.47 total 47.20 percent of the budget. Mr. Pizzi moved to approve the Treasurer's report and bills for payment as presented. Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion.

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

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion: CARRIED.

Director Pansch proceeded with the Director's report, and directed the Board's attention to the new format, created by Karen McBride, used to highlight our social media interactions. Ms. Tenyer noted how much she enjoys the "Humans of BALibrary" posts. Director Pansch also discussed the Barrington Economic Summit that he attended and noted that there are a lot of good things happening in the community. He specifically mentioned two new luxury apartment buildings currently being built; one in the Village of Barrington and the other in Deer Park.

Director Pansch also reported on his recent meetings with the Garlands. He noted that both the Garlands and the Park District were not interested in the creation of a spine road. The Garlands' architect had drawn up two options that explored a connection between their property and the library that would allow us to share a traffic light. After reviewing these options the Board felt that this was not the appropriate time to entertain these options and will wait to see if the Village can come up with a new plan that would work for all parties concerned.

Director Pansch presented information on the feasibility of continuing to operate the South Branch. Recent data suggests that use of the branch location has plateaued, and that with the use of lockers, those who utilize the branch would still have access to library materials. In addition, moving the lockers to a more visible location on the main floor of the South Barrington Club could be leveraged for increased utilization. Benefits of closing the South Branch location include the following:

- Additional workforce hours would be reallocated back to the main library location.
- Money would be saved on monthly rent.
- Monies allocated for South Branch materials would now be spent on purchasing more copies of the books being requested by our customers.

Ms. Tenyer moved to begin the process of sun setting the South Branch location, coordinated with moving the lockers to the main floor. Ms. Carr seconded the motion.

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

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion: CARRIED.

There being no old or new business, Ms. Carr moved and Ms. Clifford seconded the motion to adjourn.

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Ayes:

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Nays:

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Absent: 0

Motion: CARRIED.

Adjournment was at 7:40 p.m.

Secretary