

Palos Heights Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting of October 17, 2019

Minutes

President Burek called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Library, 12501 S. 71st Avenue, Palos Heights, Illinois.

The Secretary called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Bronson, Snow, McGovern, Foertsch, Zubik, Jankowski, Georgis as well as President Burek. Trustee Fear was absent.

The Library Director, Jesse Blazek, Head of Public Services Jeannine Kacmar were present.

There were no guests nor members of the public in attendance.

The minutes of the meeting of September 19th, 2019 were approved as read, on a motion by Trustee Snow, seconded by Trustee Georgis.

The President called on the Treasurer, Trustee Foertsch. He moved, and Trustee Zubik seconded the motion to approve the additional General Fund Bill list for the month of September in the amount of \$47, 686.33. On a roll call vote, the motion carried. Trustee Foertsch's next motion, also seconded by Trustee Zubik, to approve the General Fund Bill list dated October 17, 2019 in the amount of \$25, 124.98 was put to a roll call vote and carried. Trustee Foertsch next moved, and Trustee Zubik seconded, the approval of the Treasurer's report for the month ending September 30, 2019. This motion also carried on a roll call vote.

The Board President Geraldine Burek then gave her report.

Library Director Jesse Blazek made his report.

There was no correspondence to be read.

President Burek called upon Committee Chairmen for reports. There were no reports for this meeting, however Trustee McGovern, Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee, and the Library Director fielded the President's question about the current status of the HVAC system. The Director said that we do not need to take action on it now.

Unfinished Business discussed was the report of the Director that the second distribution from the Francine Zanardo estate, in the amount of \$75,000. has been received. The final distribution is still to come. The "Francine's Forest" sign, describing the installation purchased with part of her gift, is to be installed the next day.

The New Business items on the Agenda were addressed.

- 1. The calendar of proposed Library closing dates for 2020 was approved on the motion of Trustee Zubik and second by Trustee Georgis. Motion carried.
- 2. The calendar of proposed Board of Trustees meetings was approved on the motion of Trustee Snow and second by Trustee Foertsch. Motion carried.
- 3. The proposed schedule of Staff Appreciation awards to be given to staff members at the holiday gathering on December 8th was approved. The motion, by Trustee Zubik and second by Trustee Georgis was put to a roll call vote and carried. Discussion about the location of, and plans for the event, especially in light of budgetary concerns, followed, but no further action was taken on the event itself.
- 4. The Library Director presented the question of acceptance of an oil painting, proposed as a gift to the Library by the Anholt Family. The painting, done my June Anholt, is of her husband, and both are now deceased. The Library currently displays a painting of a young girl reading on the north wall of the first floor, also painted by Mrs. Anholt. Discussion took place about the acceptance of this and possible future gifts. Ultimately, Trustee Jankowski moved to accept the gift and Trustee Burek seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Zubik, with second by Trustee Georgis, and carried. The President ruled the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:20 PM.

The next Board meeting is Thursday, November 21st, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Snow

Secretary of the Board of Trustees