

Berwyn Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

November 15^h, 2010 Regular Meeting
Library Board Room, Riverside Drive & Harlem Avenue

Call to Order:

President Chrastka convened the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Board members present: Doris Remp, Jerome Pohlen, John Chrastka, Irene Martin, Maria Salinas, Cindy Hayes, Louise Sommese, Roxanne Faulds, Director Tammy Clausen and Alderman Nona Chapman. Boards members absent: Jill Bambenek. Staff present: Kathleen Sexton. Visitors present: Brian Pabst, John Wysocki, Mary Peroneau and Nick Vogel.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda:

On a motion by Martin and seconded by Salinas the board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

Minutes:

On a motion by Hayes and seconded by Vice-President Pohlen the minutes of the Regular Session of the October 18th, 2010 board meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion by Martin and seconded by Vice-President Pohlen the minutes of the Closed Session of the October 18th, 2010 board meeting were tabled until the next meeting..

Open Forum:

Mary Peranteau from Friends of the Library invited the Board Members to come to the Poetry Idol on November 18, 2010. Director Tammy Clausen stated that Mary is the garden leader.

Alderman Chapman introduced Brian Pabst and John Wysocki to the Board. Alderman Chapman talked about the status of the budget. Brian Pabst reported that Mayor Lovero has been in negotiation meetings with the Union.

On a motion by Hayes and seconded by Sommese, the 2011 Budget will be referred to the city with a request that the Library will receive from the tax levy no less than that of the budget deficit. The request was unanimously approved by the Board.

Director's Report:

Director Clausen reported that the library will not close during the holiday and that the staff will receive 8 hours of compensation time and that Peter Craig will be updating the Library's website with pictures. The library has received two block grants and Director Clausen is working on the third grant.

Standing Committee Reports:

Finance Committee

On a motion by Treasurer Sommese and a second by Remp, the board by unanimous roll call votes approved October 2010 payables in the amount of \$38,737.33. The Library Board Fund balance is at \$767.94.

President Chrastka briefed the Board on the different line items in the budget that were adjusted. There was a discussion if the Board was willing or able to do more cuts in the budget. Brian Pabst stated that the size of the Library makes it difficult for this to be done. Upon further discussion it was the consensus of the Board to request from the city to raise the Tax Levy.

Building & Grounds Committee

The Committee did not meet.

Policy/Personnel Committee

There has been no advance on the Investment Policy and the committee members are doing more research on board account.

Strategic Planning Committee

There has been no advancement on the strategic goals for the 2014 plan. The committee will meet a half hour before the meeting in December.

Old Business

There was none.

Unfinished Business

A Special Committee was formed concerning the bequest from George Ververka.

Closed Session

There was no closed session held.

Committee Meetings

The committee for the bequest from George Ververka will meet on December 2, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
Policy and Personnel will meet on December 9, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
Building and Grounds will meet on December 6, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
Technology will not be meeting at this time.

Adjourn

On a motion by Martin and seconded by Salinas the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Maria Salinas, Acting Secretary