

Rock Island Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
July 16 2019

The Board of Trustees of the Rock Island Public Library met at 5:00 p.m. at the Rock Island Public Library, 2nd Floor, Director's Office, with Eudell Watts III, President, presiding.

Present: Karen Phillips, Pat Mahar, Jenni Swanson, Holly Sparkman, Kevin Koski, Deborah Freiburg, Elizabeth Russell, and Jacki Nelson

Also present were: Angela Campbell, Director; Kellie Kerns, Director Business Office & Facilities; Kathy Lelonek, RIPL Foundation Director; Lisa Lockheart, PR/Outreach Liaison

Absent: Larissa Pothoven, High School Student Board Member
Call to Order: Eudell Watts III called the meeting to order.

Public Comment: City Of Rock Island - Stephanie Masson and Linda Barnes, Finance Department, presented the CY18 Audit Review for RIPL and RIPL Foundation.

The Board reviewed the June 18, 2019 minutes. There were no corrections. Eudell Watts III advised the minutes stand approved as written.

Board Education - The following was shared with the Board:
Upcoming Trustee Training Sessions

Correspondence: Was shared with the Board.

Board Member Reports -
Finance:

The Board reviewed and discussed bills from June in the amount of \$42,477.90.

Kevin Koski made the motion to approve June bills as presented. Jacki Nelson seconded. Motion carried on a recorded vote with 8 YAYs: Mahar, Phillips, Swanson, Sparkman, Koski, Freiburg, Nelson, Russell; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT. CY19

Quarterly Financial Statements were shared with the Board.

The Committee met July 9th to review the CY20 budget. The tentative budget and Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) was shared with the Board. The Committee made the recommendation to submit both as presented. Motion carried on a recorded vote with 8 YAYs: Mahar, Phillips, Swanson, Sparkman, Koski, Freiburg, Nelson, Russell; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

The CY20 Budget Schedule was shared with the Board.

Administration continues to work with the County regarding how the tax levy appears on statements.

Buildings and Grounds:

Downtown Library west exit lettering project, security assessment report; Library fleet management, and

operational project updates were discussed and shared with the Board.

Personnel and Policy:

The Committee will meet August 6th to review policies and discuss personnel topics.

Planning and Community Relations:

The social gathering of RIPL and RIPL Foundation Board members on July 11, 2019, was well attended. Another gathering will be scheduled in the coming months.

The Committee will meet July 29th to discuss long range planning and associated talking points.

Art Committee:

The Committee set a meeting for August 1st @4pm, to review the Displayed Art Policy and discuss local art displays.

Foundation:

The next quarterly meeting of the Board is scheduled for August 8th @4pm.

Administrator's Report:

Department Updates – Angela Campbell provided the Board with the latest department updates and statistics.

Milan Blackhawk – Next meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2019 in which the tentative budget and appropriation will be reviewed for approval.

Unfinished Business:

Long Range Buildings Study & Planning - updates: Angela Campbell provided the Board with updates to the timeline for closing/sale of 30/31 Library; the acquisition of a Mobile Library; the Long Range Building project and potential partnership. Administration will continue to gather information and report at the August meeting.

The Library has become one of the top goals for City annual goal setting. Administration is continuing to gather information and will report at the August meeting.

Library Locations' Hours (discussion and compiled door count) – updates were provided to the Board. Administration is continuing to gather information and will report at the October meeting.

New Business:

Kevin Koski made the motion to approve determination of sealed closed session minutes. Deborah Freiburg seconded. Motion carried on a recorded vote with 8 YAYs: Mahar, Phillips, Swanson, Sparkman, Koski, Freiburg, Nelson, Russell; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

Karen Phillips made the motion not to approve releasing closed session minutes to the public. Elizabeth Russell seconded. Motion carried on a recorded vote with 8 YAYs: Mahar, Phillips, Swanson, Sparkman, Koski, Freiburg, Nelson, Russell; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

Elizabeth Russell made the motion to approve disposal of closed session minutes older than 18 months. Pat Mahar seconded. Motion carried on a recorded vote 8 YAYs: Mahar, Phillips, Swanson, Sparkman, Koski, Freiburg, Nelson, Russell; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

Kevin Koski made the motion whether to approve closure of Downtown Library on August 31, 2019, for the annual cart races. Jenni Swanson seconded. All were in favor.

Information Sharing - The following was presented to the Board:

Standing Committees – updates

Master Agenda Items – updates

New Sculpture at Southwest Library – updates

Closed Session:

Nothing to Report

Announcements:

Nothing to Report

Board adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Rock Island Library Board of Trustees will be August 20, at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kellie Kerns

Director - Business Office & Facilities