

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 14, 2024**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Ken Johnson at 7:05 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present in person: Trustees Ashok Dhiman, Lauren Dixon, Ken Johnson, and Sharon Karpiel. Absent: Trustee Kory Atkinson, Ben Hoyle and Natalie Valenti.

Also Present: Director Timothy Jarzemsky, Vice President of the Friends of the Library, MaryLou Rempala, Treasurer of the Friends of the Library, Rose D'Agostini and Secretary of the Friends of the Library, Elaine Schneider.

III. PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The August Board Meeting Agenda was reviewed. Trustee Dixon moved, and Trustee Dhiman seconded **the motion**, that the agenda of the August 14, 2024 Regular Library Board meeting be approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the July Board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Karpiel moved, and Trustee Dixon seconded **the motion**, that the minutes of the July 10, 2024 Regular Library Board meeting be approved as amended. The motion carried by voice vote.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Dhiman seconded **the motion**, that the Board approve the payment of bills for the month of August 2024, in the amount of \$95,359.92 and the transfer of approximately \$257,000.00 for bills and salaries. The motion carried by roll call vote: AYES: Trustees Karpiel, Johnson, Dixon and Dhiman. Absent: Trustees Hoyle, Atkinson and Valenti.

Addition to the Roll: President Ben Hoyle entered the meeting as 7:09 p.m. and resumed narration of meeting.

VII. REPORTS

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Attachment C shows the activities for the month of July. The youth, teen, adult, and staff and board, 2024 Summer Reading program "Read, Renew, Repeat" just finished up on 7/37/24. 480 adults registered for the 2024 summer reading program. This is the third year using Beanstack, our new reading challenge software. 156 teens registered for the teen

summer reading program. 601 children registered for the program and read 6,418 hours total. Youth Services gears up their programming and matches the theme of summer reading all summer long. Director Jarzemsky thanked all BPL staff for their hard work on Summer Reading and the Friends of the Library for their support of the program.

MONTHLY STATISTICS

Attachment D shows the activities for the month of July. Total circulation for the month of July was 25,245. This includes 2,937 items checked out by patrons from other libraries.

STANDING COMMITTEES

PERSONNEL – No report.

POLICY – No report.

FINANCE – Director Jarzemsky is currently working on the audit, he will have a draft in the near future.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS – The lower level washrooms will be discussed later on in the agenda.

LIAISON REPORTS

SWAN/RAILS – No report.

VILLAGE – Director Jarzemsky read an update from Trustee Valenti.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY – Vice President of the Friends of the Library, MaryLou Rempala, Treasurer of the Friends of the Library, Rose D’Agostini and Secretary of the Friends of the Library, Elaine Schneider; presented about the Friends of the Library 50th Anniversary and invited the entire Board to attend. The Board thanked the Friends for coming to the meeting and supporting the library.

BIG – Attachment F is a recap of the BIG meeting from 7/25/24.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEALS

President Hoyle presented the Resolution Authorizing Intervention in Property Tax Assessment Appeals for the Bloomingdale Public Library.

Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Karpel seconded **the motion** that said resolution

IX. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

2024/2025-2 as presented be adopted.

After a full discussion thereof, President Hoyle directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion to adopt said resolution. Upon the roll being called the following Trustees voted AYES: Trustees Ashok Dhiman, Lauren Dixon, Ben Hoyle, Ken Johnson, and Sharon Karpriel. Absent: Trustee Kory Atkinson and Natalie Valenti.

Whereupon President Hoyle declared the motion carried and said resolution adopted and did sign the same in open meeting and did direct the Secretary to record the same in the records of the Board of Library Trustees of the Village of Bloomingdale, DuPage County, Illinois, which was done.

REVIEW OF 2023 DUPAGE COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW DECISION

Attachment H enclosed summary of properties, claims and results for 2023 DuPage County Board of Review proceedings in which the Library intervened. This is an important overview as it shows how the lawyers saved the library money in the commercial property tax appeal progress.

APPROVAL OF DESIGN FOR LOWER LEVEL WASHROOMS

The Board reviewed Attachment I: which includes plan details, options on materials, pictures of the spaces and Memo of Understanding Project Scope.

Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Dixon seconded **the motion**, that the Board approve the option #2. The motion carried by roll call vote: AYES: Trustees Ashok Dhiman, Lauren Dixon, Ben Hoyle, Ken Johnson, and Sharon Karpriel. Absent: Trustee Kory Atkinson and Natalie Valenti.

ILA ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2024

The entire Board is invited to attend the ILA Annual Conference in Peoria, IL on October 8-10th. Trustee Day is Thursday, October 10th. This year's conference theme is "Libraries are Lit, Sparking Innovation & Imagination".

COMMUNITY SURVEY UPDATE

Last chance to complete the survey is Friday, August 16th. The survey results will be presented at the September Board meeting.

APRIL 2025 ELECTION CALENDAR

The Library has four (4) year terms up for election on the April 1, 2025 Consolidated Election ballot: Trustees Ben Hoyle, Ken Johnson, Sharon Karpriel, and Natalie Valenti.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff In-Service Day 2024- The entire Board is invited to attend the Staff In-Service Day, two Board members are hitting milestones and will be honored during the milestone presentation.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Dixon moved and Trustee Dhiman seconded **the motion** to adjourn the August 14, 2024 Library Board meeting at 8:21 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes approved by:

Secretary

President

Date: _____
(Minutes recorded by Jamie Schingoethe)