

Monday, February 21, 2022

7:00 p.m.

**I. Call to Order**

The Board of Trustees of the Wheaton Public Library held their regular Board meeting on Monday, February 21, 2022. Board President Laurie Metanchuk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present in person at roll call: Christine Fenne, Al Herbach, Joe McHaley, Laurie Metanchuk, Kathryn Staron and Vallari Talapatra. Attending via Zoom were: Bob Lyon and Simone Morton. Absent: None. Betsy Adamowski, Library Director, Ed Sirovatka, IT/Facilities Manager, and Lisa Christell-Sandri, Library Finance/Business Office Manager and recording secretary for this meeting, were also in attendance.

**II. Citizens to be Heard**

There were 2 citizens present.

**III. Interior Vision Plan Presentation by Studio GC - Rick McCarthy and Nikki Bridges**

Mrs. Adamowski gave an overview of the work involved to get the costs for the Vision Plan. She emphasized that the timeline in the presentation was not set in stone, the Board will ultimately choose when things will happen. She also noted that these plans fall within the Library's Strategic Priority. Rick McCarthy pointed out that the vision plan started in 2015 and has stuck pretty close to the original goals. He showed proposed plans for each of the public floors, specifically Youth Services, Teen Services, Tech Center and an area for City Archives. The estimated pricing for each was listed. At this point, Nikki Bridges went over the plaza repair/restoration proposals. Mrs. Adamowski underscored that there is a need to keep the Library relevant while being fiscally responsible.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**IV. Minutes for the January 21, 2022 Board Meeting**

**V. Financial Reports for January 2022 and Bill Listings for December 2021 and February 2022 Payment**

Mrs. Fenne moved and Mr. McHaley seconded to approve the Consent Agenda items.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Mr. Lyon  
Mr. Herbach  
Ms. Staron  
Ms. Talapatra  
Mrs. Morton  
Mr. McHaley  
Mrs. Fenne  
Mrs. Metanchuk

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

**VI. Library Director's Board Report for January 2022**

Mrs. Adamowski said the date for the "Thinkin' and Drinkin'" literary pub crawl benefitting the Library has changed to September 17<sup>th</sup>. She mentioned that a new Business Office Associate has been hired to replace Joyce Kent who is retiring. Mrs. Adamowski reminded the Board that the Special Meeting next week on

March 1<sup>st</sup> is at 6:00. The Library's Annual Report is in a draft stage now and should be available by the end of the month. The annual report will not be mailed out this year. Instead it will be online and promoted through various communication channels, including the spring postcard and the City's e-blast. Mrs. Adamowski said that the Library will follow the City on the possible upcoming change in the mask mandate.

**VII. Unfinished Business: None**

**VIII. New Business: None**

**IX. Board Member Comments (Round the Table)**

Mrs. Metanchuk reminded the members about the City of Wheaton's Board and Commission Appreciation Brunch on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Fenne asked if the online Book Match was the same as Readers' Advisory. Yes, it is.

**X. Adjournment:**

There being no further business of the Wheaton Public Library Board of Trustees, Mr. Herbach moved and Ms. Talapatra seconded that the meeting be adjourned. A voice vote was taken and the motion for adjournment carried at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Christell-Sandri  
Finance/Business Office Manager