

Village President Besson called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

- 1.0 ROLL CALL** – Library Board Trustees: T. Kiernan, E. Leonard, L. Komas and B. Shaw. Library Director S. Lewin-Lane Present: Pres. D. Besson, Trustees: M. Bennett, L. Bergan, J. Chesney, M. Eternicka, K. Meleski and B. Shaw. Staff: Village Administrator S. Kulik, DPW Director S. Rewolinski, and Village Attorney J. Wesolowski. Audience (4). Board moved to item 4.1.2

4.1.2 Discussion regarding potential creation of a Library Foundation –

Library Board called to order at 6:46 p.m. Roll Call: T. Kiernan, E. Leonard, L. Komas and B. Shaw.

Pat Laughlin, 10212 Parklane Court, Hales Corners and John Cagle, 11327 Arrowhead Trail, Hales Corners addressed the Board regarding the proposed foundation. P. Laughlin read the document submitted by the proposed foundation to the Boards and commented they are looking for support and endorsement of both Boards for the foundation. P. Laughlin commented that they would like space at the Library and to use the Library address on foundational documents. She commented it would be no more than the current space and agreement that the Friends of the Library utilizes.

D. Besson commented that he felt it necessary to have it understood that the Village Board be noted in the foundational documents as having final control and authority over the site relative to any capital expenditures, that the access on the Library website needed to be approved by the Library Board as well as any content placed upon the website and that he would prefer a member of the Village Board also appointed on the foundation board. He feels that this will show the community that they have the full support.

M. Eternicka question regarding success rate of other area foundations in fundraising. P. Laughlin commented that they have been very successful as evidenced by the facilities of the Franklin, Oak Creek and Milwaukee Libraries however they are much larger municipalities. At this point, the foundation has not really addressed how much funding as it is in its early stages. She further commented that the Library Board does have a naming rights policy that the Library staff are searching for that goes back to the librarian before her tenure after a donation was received. A committee was formed that ultimately ended up with art work and a corner where the art was displayed being named after her.

B. Shaw agrees that conceptually it is a good idea and inquired if there are any other grant programs that support libraries. P. Laughlin indicated that they have members that will be looking into it. J. Cagle commented that they did not want to go too far until they understood the support and commitment of the Village and Library Boards as well as any feedback.

D. Besson commented he is fully behind it. He inquired if the Library Board had any questions. T. Kiernan commented that it would need to go before their board but he didn't see any issue with the filing cabinet space. S. Lewin-Lane inquired who would be handling any administrative tasks. P. Laughlin commented that the foundation would handle all administrative tasks and covers their own expenses and work. D. Besson asked for clarification on grants and monitoring them. P. Laughlin commented that sometimes the foundations websites indicate that they are audited once a year and are part of the municipal audit. S. Kulik commented that in order for a non-governmental entity to be included in the municipal audit, they must be considered a component unit based upon financial elements. What that would mean for the Village is that a fund would need to be set up on the Village's books for recording revenues, expenditure and donations in excess of \$25,000. D. Besson commented is that is a concern for adding tasks to village staff. S. Kulik commented that it is what it is and under the direction of the Village Board and accounting standards, that will dictate the work load. She commented that the grant policy being recommended on later on in the agenda is to try and get grants written at the time the budget is adopted as there has been a flood of grants recently where one fund is no 31 and she is the only one on staff who knows how to set this up.

T. Kiernan asked if the foundation will continue to support the Library even after any building project would be undertaken. P. Laughlin commented that their only purpose is to support the library and not just for one project.

E. Leonard inquired if the foundation would be non-profit. P. Laughlin reported that they will operate as a 501.3c and be recognized as a not for profit entity.

Motion (Bennett, Bergan) for the Village Board to publicly support the forming of a Library Foundation; motion passes unanimously.

Motion (Komas, Leonard) for the Library Board to publicly support the forming of a Library Foundation; motion passes 4-0-2 (Harycki & Wilkes absent).

Motion (Komas, Leonard) for the Library Board to adjourn, motion passes 4-0-2 (Harycki & Wilkes absent). Library Board adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Seth Harrison/ (e-signature)

Seth Harrison, Assistant Library Manager

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