

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS VILLAGE BOARD AND THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES HELD ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016.

02.16.1 A joint meeting of the Arlington Heights Village Board and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library Board of Library Trustees was called to order in the Board Room of the Arlington Heights Memorial Library on Saturday, February 13, 2016, at 8:37 a.m. by Board of Library Trustees President Debbie Smart.

PRESENT: Village Trustees Farwell, LaBedz, Rosenberg, Scaletta, and Sidor; Village President Hayes; Library Trustees Brody Garkisch, Medal, Pearson, Unumb, Zyck, and Smart.

ABSENT: Village Trustees Blackwood, Glasgow, and Tinaglia and Library Trustee Nelson.

ALSO PRESENT: Randy Recklaus, Village Manager; Jason Kuhl, Library Executive Director; Jeremy Andrykowski, Library Deputy Director; Deb Whisler, Library Director of Communications and Marketing; Janet Moravec, Library Business Office Administrator.

02.16.2 There was no **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

02.16.3 **LIBRARY BOARD'S TOPICS OF INTEREST**

- Following introductory remarks by Library Board President Smart, Mr. Kuhl highlighted the *Once Upon a Time...Exploring the World of Fairy Tales* play exhibit. An after-hours evening Fairy Tale and Fantasy Gala, with more than 500 people attending, featured make-believe, magic, and fairy-tale themed entertainment. The library will continue its celebration of fairy tales with an evening with Gregory Maguire, author of *Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West* at Metropolis Performing Arts Centre on March 9.

- Mr. Kuhl shared beginning Saturday, March 19, the library will begin a pilot program expanding its hours. The pilot will extend weekend hours based on a recent survey of library customers which indicated many residents wished the library offered more hours on weekends. During the pilot, the library will remain open until 8 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, and open an hour earlier, at 11 a.m., on Sundays.

- Mr. Kuhl explained the library recently conducted a Parking and Pedestrian Safety Study reviewing the safety of both the outdoor and under-building parking lots for vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Recommended improvements focus on four areas,

including wayfinding and circulation, pedestrian safety measures, parking layout, and aesthetics.

02.16.4 **VILLAGE BOARD'S TOPICS OF INTEREST**

- Following introductory remarks by Mayor Hayes, Mr. Recklaus gave an update on the police station project. The space needs assessment recommended replacing the building on the current site reducing construction costs to \$27.9 million. Bonds were issued with 2.93% interest, with construction to begin in 2017.
- Mr. Recklaus discussed the new solid waste contract to begin April 1. The new contract will have once a week pick up with an optional twice a week pick up for an additional cost. Once a week will save residents 31% or \$92 per year. There will also be an optional food scrap waste program as well as fall leaf relief for yard waste November 1-December 15.
- Mr. Recklaus gave an update on the Village's focus on infrastructure. There has been a 47% increase in annual road funding for 2016 to address the 230 miles of roads in the village. The ramp up to replace 260 miles of water mains in the village by 2020 has begun with a 600% increase in annual water main replacement. Two stormwater studies have been completed and possible improvements have been identified; cost/benefits and possible funding sources are being examined.
- Mr. Recklaus highlighted technology improvements with a new Village website under development and increased social media presence. Mr. Recklaus also mentioned the partnership with the library for employee technology training.

02.16.5 **OTHER**

- Mr. Kuhl gave an update on library's community survey of residents living in the northern and southern parts of Arlington Heights. He highlighted the many partnerships with the village, park district, and schools districts in providing services to Arlington Heights residents.
- Ms. Whisler shared a Save the Date for Thursday, May 5, for the District 25 Student Art Show Opening Night Reception to be held in the library's Marketplace.

There being no further business to be discussed, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:32 a.m.

Deborah A. Nelson, Vice President/Secretary

Janet Moravec, Recorder