

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS VILLAGE BOARD AND THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES HELD ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019.

- 01.19.1 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 Community Room of the Arlington Heights Police Station on Saturday, January 19, 2019, at 8:30 a.m. by Village President Tom Hayes.

Village President Hayes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductory remarks by Village President Hayes and Board of Library Trustees President Smart.

PRESENT: Village Trustees Baldino, Blackwood, LaBedz, Sidor and Rosenberg; Village President Hayes; Library Trustees Brody Garkisch, Supplitt, Thanopoulos, Zyck, and Smart.

ABSENT: Village Trustees Glasgow, Scaletta and Tinaglia and Library Trustees Medal and Tangney.

ALSO PRESENT: Randy Recklaus, Village Manager; Michael Driskell, Library Executive Director; Shannon Distel, Library Deputy Director; Donna Ekl, Library Finance Director; Mary Hastings, Library Communications and Marketing Director; Greg Padovani, Resident; Renee Schwingbeck, Resident; Tom Schwingbeck, Resident; and Melissa Cayer, Resident.

- 01.19.2 **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Ms. Cayer commented on the posting of the meeting agenda on the Village of Arlington Heights’ website.

01.19.3 **LIBRARY BOARD’S TOPICS OF INTEREST**

Mr. Driskell presented information on the library and its interest to acquire the building at 112 North Belmont Avenue, the original library location. The building could house a makerspace that would offer opportunities to all ages for hands-on experiential STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics) learning.

The library has discussed the concept with entities within the community to gauge interest, and have received overwhelming support. Arlington Heights School Districts 25 and 214 have both expressed interest in utilizing the space. The Arlington Heights Park District has been supportive as a potential neighbor. The Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce has great ideas on expanding services to connect even further with the

business community. Overall, the facility could provide something for everyone and give the community tools to do amazing things.

An informational community meeting with officials from the library and village has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall (Buechner Room).

Library Board President Smart gave an update on the Arlington Heights Memorial Library Foundation. The foundation has been recognized as a Illinois not for profit corporation and has filed an application for 501(c)(3) status; has seated its board; is writing policies and procedures; and is developing its infrastructure. Ms. Hastings is the library staff liaison to the foundation.

01.19.4 **VILLAGE BOARD'S TOPICS OF INTEREST** - Mr. Recklaus presented information on the following:

Village of Arlington Heights Police Station - was finished this winter and under budget. The facility is almost twice the size as the previous police station. A public open house will be schedule in the spring. The 2018 crime statistics show that Arlington Heights had the lowest crime rate ever recorded in Arlington Heights.

Downtown Construction

- Resurfacing Northwest Highway
- Union Pacific Northwest railroad crossing work at Dunton Avenue
- Storm water system work along Campbell and Sigwalt Streets
- Update brick paver system
- Three new crossing locations
- Gas main work by Nicor

Building Construction Projects for 2019

- Arlington Downs project located near the Arlington International Racecourse off Euclid Avenue and Route 53, with hotel, 417 housing units, and retail stores
- Proposed Arlington 425 project located between Chestnut Avenue and Campbell Street, with three buildings consisting of 358 housing units and retail

Parking Study - was completed last fall and recommendations were made to improve signage and availability of downtown parking and in garages.

Village Nurse Services

- Quarterly blood pressure screening with Village Nurses at the library
- Flu shots have been added
- New program titled "Ask Me Anything" about health issues

There are many joint opportunities for the Village and the library to offer services to the community. The Village's Social Services Coordinator held a Resources Hour at the library.

The Village would like to be able to sell landwaste stickers at the library.

Library Board President Smart added the library has begun the process to become a passport processing acceptance facility.

01.19.5 There were no **OTHER** items to be discussed.

There being no further business to discuss, Village Trustee Sidor moved **ADJOURNMENT**. Village Trustee LaBedz seconded. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Joan Brody Garkisch, Library Board Vice President/Secretary

Debbie Halpin, Recorder