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Regular Board
Remote Virtual Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 08, 2020

Mrs. Smith, President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library to order at 6:08 p.m.

Present:

Ms. Mary Clements
Ms. Deborah Giles
Ms. Maria Perez
Ms. Constance Riales
Mrs. Dorothy Smith
Mr. Reginald Stewart

Absent: Pastor Michael Horton

Also in attendance: Library Director, Amy Crump, Business Manager, Ashley Matthews, Administrative Assistant, Lili Savage, Library Attorney Dee Jarad and 5 members of the public.

Public Comment:

Wanda Gipson submitted: 1. The minutes of the previous library board meeting were made available to the public at previous in-person meetings. The Director's Report was previously included in the board meeting minutes. Copies of the Director's Report were made available to the public before the meeting. If this is a practice that will not continue during remote meetings or in person meetings, the minutes and highlights from the Director's report should be read aloud at the meeting. The public wants to be informed. 2. Why is the 2020 - 2021 budget not posted on the website? The budget has always been posted on the website in the past. 3. My request regarding a public hearing regarding the library's proposed budget received a legalistic answer. A library is not required legally to have a public hearing, however the library should be interested in informing the public about the financial responsibilities of the library. The Board of Trustees should want to know how the public feels about the expenses of the library.

Finance Committee Report: Reports of Bills: #804, 804-A, & 804-B. The following reports of bills were submitted, copies of which are included as part of these minutes:

#804 (Bill List) in the amount of	\$ 51,381.72
#804-A (Payroll) in the amount of	\$ 49,742.24
#804-B (Checking) in the amount of	\$ 0.00
TOTAL:	\$ 101,123.96

A motion was made by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Clements to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the meeting minutes for November 10, 2020 and November 25, 2020, and Approval of Bills #804, 804-A, 804-B. Treasurers Report will be filed for audit.
A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 5: Ms. Clements, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart
NAYS: 1: Ms. Giles
ABSTAIN: 0:
ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton
The motion passed.

Other Committee Reports:

- A. Administrative Committee Report: NO REPORT
- B. Building and Grounds Committee: NO REPORT
- C. Finance Committee: NO REPORT
- D. Public Relations and Legislative Committee: NO REPORT
- E. Planning and Development Committee: NO REPORT
- F. RAILS Committee: NO REPORT

Unfinished Business:

A motion was made by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Perez and passed at the November 25, 2020 Special Board Meeting Approving Director Crump’s recommendations to limit library hours to Monday through Friday and providing only virtual and curbside services from November 27 through December 31, 2020.
A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart
NAYS: 0:
ABSTAIN: 0:
ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton
The motion passed.

New Business:

A motion was made by Ms. Riales, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the 2019 Audit presented by Lou Karrison.
A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart
NAYS: 0:
ABSTAIN: 0:
ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton
The motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Perez to award the bid for Bellwood Public Library HVAC Project 2021 to C. Acitelli Heating and Piping Contractors, Inc.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Communication/Announcements: School District 88 coordinated their First Annual Holiday Toy Drive. They partnered with the Bellwood Public Library, Village of Bellwood, Pink Divas and Gents, and other community partners. Library Director Amy Crump donated 4 boxes of books.

Library Director: The report is posted on the Bellwood Public Library's web page.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Ms. Riales moved to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Perez seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

A roll call was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT:1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Reginald Stewart, Secretary