

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-OR-01
BELLWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

**ANNUAL ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE ISSUANCE OF
NON-RESIDENT PUBLIC LIBRARY CARDS**

WHEREAS, the Bellwood Public Library is a tax-supported public library operating pursuant to the Illinois Local Library Act, 75 ILCS 5/1-1, *et. seq.*; and

WHEREAS, 75 ILCS 5/4-7(12) of the Illinois Local Library Act provides that the Board of Library Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library shall have the power to extend the privileges and use of the library, including the borrowing of materials on an individual basis by persons residing outside of the jurisdictional boundaries of the Village of Bellwood, Cook County, Illinois, and that if the Board exercises this power, the privilege of library use shall be upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Library Trustees shall from time to time prescribe; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Administrative Code (Title 23, Part 3050, Section 3050.20) requires the Board of Library Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library to annually take action to decide whether to issue non-resident library cards during the ensuing 12 months, and if so, to determine and adopt at that time, the non-resident library card fee formula and fee, if applicable, to be used; and

WHEREAS, 75 ILCS 5/4-7(12) of the Illinois Local Library Act provides that: “A person residing outside of a public library service area must apply for a non-resident library card at the public library located closest to the person's principal residence”; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library has determined that there are no unserved areas adjacent to the Library taxing area and that given these circumstances, no need exists for the Library to determine a non-resident library card fee method or formula and fee for the ensuing 12 months, *to wit*, **from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022**; and

WHEREAS, 75 ILCS 5/4-7(12) of the Illinois Local Library Act provides that no non-resident fee shall apply to “a nonresident who, as an individual or as a partner, principal stockholder, or other joint owner, owns or leases property that is taxed for library service or is a senior administrative officer of a firm, business, or other corporation owning taxable property within the city, incorporated town, village or township upon the presentation of the most recent tax bill upon that taxable property or a copy of the commercial lease of that taxable property; or to

a nonresident in an unincorporated area in Illinois who is a student whose household falls at or below the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Income Eligibility Guidelines;” and

WHEREAS, in accord with the mandates of 75 ILCS 5/4-7(12), the Bellwood Public Library is committed to extending the use of the Library to such exempt non-residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE BELLWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY:

SECTION 1. Incorporation of Recitals. The above recitals are expressly incorporated in and made a part of this Ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. No Participation in Non-Resident Library Card Program. For the ensuing 12 months, *to wit*, **from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022**, the Bellwood Public Library shall not participate in the non-resident library card program given that no unserved areas are adjacent to the Library taxing area.

SECTION 3. Non-Resident Fee Does Not Apply. A non-resident fee shall not apply to a non-resident who, as an individual or as a partner, principal stockholder, or other joint owner, owns or leases property that is taxed for library service or is a senior administrative officer of a firm, business, or other corporation owning taxable property within the Village of Bellwood, Cook County, Illinois, upon presentation of the most recent tax bill upon that taxable property or a copy of the commercial lease of that taxable property, or to a nonresident in an unincorporated area in Illinois who is a student whose household falls at or below the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Income Eligibility Guidelines. The Library will issue to such non-resident cardholder a non-resident library card valid for one (1) year from the date of its issuance which shall accord all the services, privileges and uses that the Library provides to its residents, including reciprocal borrowing privileges.

SECTION 4. Notice to Library Regional System. The Library Director, or her designee, shall notify the regional library system within thirty (30) days after the adoption of this Ordinance of the action taken herein.

SECTION 5. Public Inspection of Library’s Policy. The Board of Trustees’ policy for service to non-residents shall be available for public inspection at the Library.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library, Cook County, Illinois
on this **8th day of June, 2021**, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: _____

NAYES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

BELLWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Dorothy Clark-Smith, *President*,
Board of Library Trustees, Bellwood Public Library

ATTEST:

Reginald Stewart, *Secretary*
Board of Library Trustees, Bellwood Public Library

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

CERTIFICATE

I, **REGINALD STEWART**, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Library Trustees of Bellwood Public Library, Cook County, Illinois, and as such Secretary, I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board of Library Trustees of said Public Library.

I do further certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of an **Ordinance** entitled:

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and as adopted at a lawful meeting of the said Board of Library Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library held on the **8th day of June, 2021**, which **Ordinance** has not been amended or repealed but remains in full force and effect at this time.

I further certify that the deliberations of the members of the Board of Library Trustees on the adoption of said ordinance were taken openly; that the vote on the adoption of said ordinance was taken openly; that said meeting was held at a specified time and place convenient to the public; that notice of said meeting was duly given to all newspapers, radio or television stations and other news media requesting such notice; and that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of "An Act in Relation to Meetings," approved July 11, 1957, as amended, and the applicable provisions of the Public Library Act of the State of Illinois and that this Board of Library Trustees has complied with all of the applicable provisions of the Act and with all of the procedural rules of the Board of Trustees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature at Bellwood, Illinois, this **8th day of June, 2021**.

Reginald Stewart, Secretary
Board of Library Trustees
Bellwood Public Library, Cook County, Illinois