

MEETING MINUTES
HOMEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Board Meeting, October 6, 2021
7:00 P.M.

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 by President River. **Present:** Trustees River, Ward, Gildart, Martin and Uecker and Director Waltman. **Absent:** Trustees Harris and Nowak.

Introduction of Guests

There were no guests present.

Public Comments

There were none.

Comment Sheets

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA (Action with Roll Call Vote)

Approval of the Minutes

- Approval of the minutes of the regular Board Meeting, September 15, 2021
- Approval of the minutes of the public hearing September 15, 2021

Acceptance of the Financial Reports of September, 2021

- Approval of the General Fund Check Registers dated September 15, 2021 and September 29, 2021
- Acceptance of the Bills Payable Report as outlined in the Financial report
- Payroll, IMRF and FICA payments September 2021
- Balance sheet as of September, 2021
- FY 2020-21 YTD Actual vs. Budget

Acceptance of the September, 2021 Statistical Reports

Trustee River motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and Trustee Gildart seconded. **Ayes:** River, Gildart, Ward, Uecker, Martin. **Nays:** None. Motion carried.

Old Business

- Levy discussion (action)

There was some discussion as to the amount the levy should be increased. The recommendation from Director Waltman was a .035 increase over last year's levy, based on a variety of factors. The Board was in general agreement on this recommendation and agreed to have the levy hearing at 6:45 pm before the November 17th meeting.

New Business

CLOSED SESSSION

- Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2) to discuss collective bargaining matters

The Board did not go into closed session. The Board discussed the current revisions to the proposed union contract as well as a draft MOU regarding staff vaccines.

- Collective bargaining matters - contract (action)

Trustee River motioned to have Director Waltman let attorney Tom Melody know that the Board approved the most recent revisions to the union contract as presented and Trustee Ward seconded. **Ayes:** River, Gildart, Ward, Uecker, Martin. **Nays:** None. Motion carried.

- Collective bargaining matters – MOU (action)

Trustee River motioned and Trustee Martin seconded to have Director Waltman share with attorney Tom Melody the Board's feedback regarding the MOU regarding vaccines. **Ayes:** River, Gildart, Ward, Uecker, Martin. **Nays:** None. Motion carried.

Director's Report

- B & A legal requirements met (published, uploaded to County web site)
- Levy preparation (public hearing prior to November 17th meeting, to publish)
- Age Options grant funds 2021-2022
- Park District Event October 30
- Com. Ed. and energy savings continued
- Parking lot lighting continued
- Banned Books videos
- Audit in process
- Union contract
- Fall Fest 2021
- Per capita requirements at next meeting
- Director ILA Committee appointment

In addition to the above items Director Waltman shared that the Banned Book Week videos put together by staff, in particular Kelly Campos and Ashley Sander,

with numerous additional staff participating, had been recently shared by the online version of the "American Libraries" publication.

Board Committee Reports

- Facility
- Finance
- Personnel
- Policy

There were no reports.

Adjournment

Trustee River motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm and Trustee Uecker seconded. **Ayes:** River, Gildart, Ward, Uecker, Martin. **Nays:** None. Motion carried.