

Lake Bluff Public Library Special Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees Wednesday, January 10th at 7 PM

123 E. Scranton Avenue, Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044

Notice: This special meeting of the Lake Bluff Library Board of Trustees was held with a quorum of Trustees physically present. The meeting was simulcast for any members of the public who did not wish to attend the meeting in-person at the Lake Bluff Public Library building. Guidelines and access codes were published before the meeting so members of the public could log in. The meeting was recorded, with the recording made available through the Library's website. As required by law, at least one representative from the Library was present at the Library while participating in the meeting.

- 1. Call to Order: Board President Bonnie Shaul called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
- 2. **Roll Call**: Trustees Shaul, Graziano, Friedeman, Jardine, Hayes and Zaute were present; Trustee Jerch attended remotely beginning at 7:07 pm. Library Director Renee Grassi, library staff member Katie Horner and Julie Tappendorf of Ancel & Glink were also present.
- 3. Additions & Corrections to the Agenda:
 - a. Director Grassi proposed skipping the Pledge of Allegiance given that it is a Special Board Meeting. No vote was required.
 - Trustee Zaute moved to approve Trustee Jerch's remote participation in the meeting;
 Trustee Hayes seconded. All voted aye.
- 4. **Opportunity for Public to Address the Board**: There was none.
- 5. New Business: President Shaul provided a status update on the collection from the Village of Lake Bluff on the Library's proportionate share of its statutorily mandated Personal Property Tax (PPRT). There were two primary discussion points from the Village Board's meeting this week: (1) The Village requires additional clarification on the relationship and tax operating structure of the Library and (2) the proposal of the Lake Bluff Village Board Trustees to make a one-time payment of \$84,474 for PPRT payments from 1980 through 2023. Julie Tappendorf provided an overview of the disagreement between two parties regarding the interpretation of a 5 year statute of limitations that has been applied in other cases. The Board discussed the draft Intergovernmental Agreement between the Library and the Village of Lake Bluff regarding PPRT payments from 1980-2023. The Board agreed to respond to the Village Board of Trustees with a note that the proposed IGA will be accepted on the condition of striking the language from Section 2 specifying that PPRT funds must be used "for Library capital expenses," which is not included in the statute, and correcting the noted typos. The Board agreed to add this topic as an action item to next week's Regular Meeting agenda.
- 6. **Executive Session(s) if needed**: There was none.
- 7. **Adjournment:** Trustee Friedeman moved to adjourn, Trustee Zaute seconded; all voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.



Respectfully submitted,

Alexandra Friedeman Secretary