

**MINUTES OF THE ROSELLE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OCTOBER 10, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

President Baumgart called the meeting to order at 7:41 p.m.

PRESENT

Seven (7) Trustees were present at the start of the meeting: President, Len Baumgart; Vice President, Michael Harrington; Treasurer, Christina Dabrowski; Secretary, Monika Nasiadka; Trustee, Terrell Barnes; Trustee, Ashley Cook; and Trustee, Barbara Murray.

Staff present were: Executive Director, Samantha Johnson; Business & Operations Manager, Karen Delgadillo; Access Services Manager, John Rimer; and Adult & Teen Services Manager, Maureen Garzaro.

Also in attendance were: Dan Pohrte and Tiffany Nash of Product Architecture + Design.

One (1) member of the public was also present.

BUILDING & PLANNING COMMITTEE

a. Construction Project Updates

Dan and Tiffany presented construction project updates to the board highlighting the following:

- i. The engineers are working with ComEd and the Village on a preferred solution for the electrical pole near the new library site. ComEd has started working on transformers and extended new wiring.
- ii. The design for the exterior is under review with the civil engineering teams and then will proceed with Zoning review with the Village.
- iii. The Trustees reviewed the latest exterior concepts incorporating all feedback from the signage changes.

b. Responsible Bidder Ordinance

The Trustees continued the discussion in consideration of a responsible bidder ordinance (RBO). After deliberating, President Baumgart polled everyone on their position and all seven trustees voiced the desire not to move forward with the ordinance itself; while Trustee Barnes, Trustee

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Cook, and Trustee Murray added that they wanted extra questions incorporated into the pre-bid documentation inquiring about prospective contractors' union status and whether they provide or support for a training program. All trustees were in favor of moving forward with that suggestion.

c. Time Capsule Discussion

Executive Director Johnson shared with the Trustees some of the ideas from staff on items we would consider in a capsule. Vice President Harrington, Treasurer Dabrowski, and Trustee Murray expressed their interest in forming a subcommittee for a time capsule initiative for the new Library campus. Discussions will continue as we gauge feedback from other libraries and plan for this initiative.

d. 2026 Chamber After Hours Event Hosting

The Trustees discussed possible dates to host a Chamber of Commerce after hours business event in 2026. The library will propose the date of May 27, 2026 to the Chamber.

e. Quarterly Strategic Plan Update

Executive Director Johnson shared the quarterly strategic plan update with the Trustees.

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

a. Review 2nd Draft Levy Ordinance for Tax Year 2025

Executive Director Johnson presented the 2nd working draft of the Levy Ordinance for Tax Year 2025.

b. Annual Health Care Plan Renewal Discussion

Executive Director Johnson presented a preliminary review of benefits renewal pricing to the Trustees addressing a steep increase to premiums. Once further details from our broker, including quotes from other Health Carriers, are received, that information will be communicated in the final proposal for the Trustees to vote for approval on the amounts the Library funds for premiums and HRA during the next regular board meeting.

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CITIZEN COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

There were no citizen comments or questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Minutes Approved: Secretary

Date