

**ROSELLE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OCTOBER 11, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

PRESENT

Seven (7) Trustees were present physically at the start of the meeting: President, Katie Smith; Vice President, Terrell Barnes; Secretary Michael Harrington; Treasurer, Monika Nasiadka; Trustee, Len Baumgart; Trustee Sue Harold; and Trustee Roxee Timan.

Staff present were Executive Director, Samantha Johnson; Access Services Manager, John Rimer; Adult and Teen Services Manager, Maureen Garzaro; and Communications Coordinator, Jason Kepler. Member of the public present was William La Fontaine.

ABSENT

There was none trustees absent.

BUDGET & FINANCE

a. Levy Ordinance Final Draft for FY24 / TY23

Executive Director Johnson presented the final draft of the next levy ordinance. The figures shown represent an 8% increase in the amount extended for TY 22. There were no substantial changes from the prior draft.

BUILDING & PLANNING COMMITTEE

a. Continued Discussion on Building Next Steps, Objectives & Priorities

Prior to the start of the regular board meeting, Executive Director Johnson had forwarded the draft report following the focus groups that were conducted at the end of September.

There was a lengthy discussion about the contents and findings of the report, with all trustees weighing in on how they thought the Library should proceed. The consensus was that more time is needed to be better prepared and to continue engaging with the community and therefore to not consider any ballot question on the March 2024 ballot, but to shift focus to the November 2024 ballot.

b. Future Dates for Coffee with the Board

The Trustees agreed to continue to host these events following the success of the first one in September. The next dates will be determined as soon as possible and communicated via the Library's regular channels.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

There were no additional comments from the Executive Director.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

There were no Trustee comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

There was no public for comments or questions.

ADJOURNMENT

President Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. The motion was seconded. A voice roll call was conducted with all present voting aye. The motion was approved.

/s/ Mike Harrington
Minutes Approved: Secretary

11/8/2023
Date