



THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VILLAGE OF ROSELLE and ROSELLE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

January 15, 2024 (Special - Joint)

Meeting Held at Roselle Village Hall

Council Chambers

31 S Prospect St

Roselle, IL 60172

1) Call To Order

The special joint meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Roselle and the Board of Trustees of the Roselle Public Library District was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Pileski.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Pileski

3) Roll Call

Present (14)

Mayor Pileski, Trustee Della Penna, Trustee Domke, Trustee Forsythe, Trustee Lenisa, Trustee Piorkowski, Trustee Trejo, Library Trustee Terrell Barnes, Library Trustee Len Baumgart, Library Trustee Michael Harrington, Library Trustee Monika Nasiadka, Library President Katie Smith, and Library Trustee Roxee Timan

Absent (1)

Library Trustee Sue Harold called in but was not counted for attendance purposes.

Also Present:

Village Administrator Jason Bielawski, Library Executive Director Samantha Johnson, Community Development Manager Caron Bricks, Economic Development Coordinator Matthew Galloway, and Village Clerk Amanda Hausman

4) Approval of the Prepared Agenda As Presented

Moved by Trustee Trejo, seconded by Trustee Domke

Upon *voice vote*: **MOTION CARRIED.**

5) Village Board Public Comment

The board heard a public comment regarding the Library & Trinity property.

6) New Business

a) [233 Maple Avenue/Trinity Property Redevelopment Discussion](#)

Village Administrator Bielawski highlighted a parcel in the TIF district earmarked for redevelopment through tax credits. The Village board shortlisted two proposals for senior housing, eligible for state funding. **Library President Smith** discussed three options for the Library contingent on a referendum, including: (1) tweaks to the original referendum proposal, (2) building on the parking lot across Park Street, or (3) relocating to the Trinity lot. Most Trustees favored the Trinity option, seeing it as an opportunity for better options for the Library's design and improved management of downtown's development. **Mayor Pileski** clarified the independence of the Village and Library taxing bodies. Trustees discussed potential developments, the referendum, and collaboration.

Looking ahead, **Mayor Pileski** outlined 2024 plans, emphasizing a balanced budget, conservative fiscal approach, and a \$135 million investment in infrastructure. Projects include a pedestrian bridge, pavement study, and Rodenburg Road completion. The March 19, 2024 Home Rule Referendum was discussed, addressing benefits, potential consequences, and collaborative efforts.

Trustee discussions covered referendum complexities, property development, affordable housing, and collaboration timelines. **Mayor Pileski** emphasized the importance of timely decisions and engagement. The possibility of a land swap between the Village and Library was considered, with **Trustee Baumgart** summarizing key points. **Mayor Pileski** stressed the need for a decision by April.

Trustee sentiments reflected openness to collaboration, increased communication, and future engagements between the boards. The dialogue concluded with acknowledgment of shared interests and the potential for ongoing discussions.

7) Adjourned Village Board Meeting

Moved by Trustee Trejo, seconded by Trustee Della Penna
Upon *voice vote*: **MOTION CARRIED** at 8:11 PM.

KEY:

Rose Red – Ordinance

Leaf Green – Resolution

Submitted on this 22nd day of January 2024.

Amanda Hausman, Village Clerk

Attest:

/s/ Mike Harrington 2/14/2024

Mike Harrington, Library Board Secretary

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