

**Des Plaines Valley Public Library District
February 22, 2011
Regular Board Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. @ Crest Hill**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

President Ann Lopez-Caneva called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Ron Alberico, Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Danny Gaddis, Ann Lopez-Caneva, Christine Siegel, and Adam Sulich. Board members absent: none.

Guest: Mava Zilka.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—none

MINUTES

Gayle Crompton moved to approve the January 25, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, and the February 8, 2011 Special Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Christine Siegel seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you cards were received from the Myricks and Jenny Suva for the District's floral arrangements. Scott Pointon stated patrons at the Crest Hill Branch are concerned over the limited parking and have voiced a number of complaints. A brief letter has been made available for distribution explaining the District's awareness of the problem and how the new facility will address the problem.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Adam Sulich read the Treasurer's Report for January 2011. Cash on hand as of January 31, 2011 was \$24,091,075.79. Income as of January 31, 2011 was \$44,868.95. Disbursements as of January 31, 2011 were \$247,525.45. Transfers/adjustments were \$310.55 to the Corporate Fund for a voided check. Cash on hand as of January 31, 2011 was \$23,888,729.84. Cash on hand in the Bond Account as of January 31, 2011 was \$22,050,290.59.

Adam Sulich moved to approve the January 2011 Treasurer's Report as presented, with the payment of the February 15, 2011 bills for \$279,430.34, the February 2, 2011 payroll of \$76,690.30, and the February 16, 2011 payroll of \$74,821.13, and the IDES payment of \$2,256.00. Christine Siegel seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes—Ron Alberico, Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Danny Gaddis, Ann Lopez-Caneva, Christine Siegel, and Adam Sulich. Nays—none. Motion carried.

Personal Property Replacement Tax received to date was \$160,193.97. The township estimate to be received for FY 2010-2011 is \$250,744.08.

2009 Levy Real Estate Distribution and Interest received to date totaled \$2,827,341.17. The total 2009 distribution percentage received to date is 99.694%.

The current interest rates as of February 22, 2011 for money market accounts are as follows: Harris Bank—0.114% and Illinois Funds—0.092%.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – no addition to written report.

OLD BUSINESS

BUILDING UPDATES

Crest Hill – no updates on the land in question.

Lockport – no updates.

Romeoville – A draft contract for work at the Romeoville facility is currently being reviewed by the Lombard Company and District attorney John Even. Our attorney has noted he desires mediation to be utilized first in any disputes, with arbitration as the last option. It is not anticipated any major contract issues are under consideration.

The Romeoville furniture bid will be available on February 28, 2011 and the bid opening will be on March 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the Romeoville Branch. Danny Gaddis, Gayle Crompton, and Deanna Amann all stated they were available to attend the bid opening.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—Real Property – none called for.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—Personnel – none called for.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL TO PERFORM ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Scott Pointon explained the Romeoville asbestos abatement will take place in three phases, with the first phase consisting of work in the basement. It is very probable the same contractor will do all three phases of the project. The requests for proposals for the asbestos abatement work have already gone out, but no figures are yet available. The Board had the option to empower Scott Pointon to enter into a contract with the chosen asbestos removal company.

Christine Siegel moved the board empower Scott Pointon to enter into a contract with an asbestos removal firm, with said contract not to exceed \$20,000.00. Deanna Amann seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes—Ron Alberico, Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Danny Gaddis, Ann Lopez-Caneva, Christine Siegel, and Adam Sulich. Nays—none. Motion carried.

LIBRARY DISTRICT NAME

The Board considered the ramifications of changing the District's name. As we are in a time period of major renovations and new construction, any name change would have to be solidified in a timely manner. It has often been commented that the District's name is not only too long, but also does not provide a clear sense of identity for the three communities it encompasses. Board members considered what avenues we could take to solicit input from the public regarding a name change and believed a survey on our website would be a good beginning. Not all board members felt a name change would be in the best interest of the District. Further consideration of this topic is anticipated.

SERVING OUR PUBLIC 2.0: STANDARDS FOR ILLINOIS PUBLIC LIBRARIES 2009 EDITION – Chapter 9 – Programming

This discussion was very appropriate as it highlighted how the parking situation at the Crest Hill Branch has impacted programs at that facility. Due to the increased usage at that facility and the limited parking, the District finds itself in a unique position of actually competing with its own services. With the necessary staff, library programs, computer users and reference needs, many times the Crest Hill parking lot is full, causing great frustration for patrons. Various options were discussed to alleviate some of the parking issues that impede programming. The Board was not in favor of opening later on days to allow a computer class to be held prior to opening, but did think perhaps a computer class could be held after closing at 5:00 p.m. on a Friday. While there does not seem to be a truly viable short-term solution to the problem, staff will continue to explore creative means to provide programming both on-site and at various locations within the community.

In January 2010, Scott Pointon applied for a Broadband Technology Opportunity grant for the Crest Hill and Lockport facilities. Since the State of Illinois could not fund any of the grants because of its own budget woes, the grants were considered defunct. We have received a notice that the applications were forwarded on to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Ultimately, only the Crest Hill application could move forward because that community had a high enough poverty level to qualify for funding. If this grant is successful, it will result in \$15,390 to fund new adult internet workstations at the Crest Hill Branch, a new laser printer, and necessary software. Scott Pointon will keep the board apprised of further news.

ADJOURNMENT

Danny Gaddis moved for adjournment at 7:45 p.m. Gayle Crompton seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

