Rensselaerville Library Board Meeting Minutes: July 19, 2022

Present: Robert Pondiscio (President), Hans Soderquist (Vice-President), Annemarie Martinez (Treasurer), Joe

Frisino (Secretary), Judy Crilley, Jerry Finin, Donna Kropp, Paul Ventura, Heidi Carle (Library Director)

<u>Excused</u>: Tracy Bensen <u>Absent</u>: Gus Anagnopoulos

Due the ongoing pandemic the meeting was held both online and in-person. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

President's Report

Robert P stated that today's meeting will be short and focus on a few items in order to have an in-depth discussion afterward about the proposed Annex.

Robert informed the Board that Heidi will be retiring as Library Director on October 31 of this year. Planning for a successor will being asap.

Robert has spoken with Rensselaerville Town Supervisor John Dolce about the proposed Annex which will be housed in the largely vacant Public Safety building in Medusa. Dolce is enthusiastic about the project and specifically spoke about the need to program for seniors. However, negotiations with the County Sheriff's Office, which owns the building, have stalled. The Town's attorney has drafted a joint use agreement. We will ask the Town's attorney to contact the attorney for the Sheriff's department to hopefully get the project moving.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made to accept the June 2022 Board meeting minutes. It was seconded and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Annemarie M presented a summary of the June financial reports. Judy C made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Joe F seconded. Motion carried.

Finance Committee

No report this month.

Fundraising Committee

Block Party: Volunteer ticket takers are still needed. Joe F will coordinate with the various bands prior to and during the event.

Building and Grounds Committee

Property Line: The title company told Hans that there is a conflict between different surveys as to the exact location of the property line. The surveyor who did the last property survey for us is offering to try to determine the source of the conflict.

Robert P asked what is needed regarding the current construction grant projects. The deadline for the current grant submission is August 1. Jerry F will speak with Richard Platel about an estimate for shoring up the floor under the circulation desk.

Director's Report

Heidi C gave a very brief overview of a few June highlights.

Donna K made a motion to accept the Director's Report. Judy C seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business

By-Laws: Joe made a motion to approve the revised By-Laws. Paul V seconded. Motion carried.

New Business

No new business.

<u>Adjourn</u>

Paul V made a motion to adjourn. Donna K seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM.

The next meeting of the Rensselaerville Library Board of Trustees will be on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Frisino