

**ELMWOOD PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 21, 2018**

OPEN

Kathleen Policano opened the public meeting at 7:07 P.M. in accordance with New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act.

ROLL CALL

Present: Geraldine Mola, Kathleen Policano, Richard Trawinski (arrived 7:15), Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

Absent: Jill Torrento

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kathleen Policano made a motion to accept the April 16, 2018 minutes as amended

First: Geraldine Mola

Second: Kathleen Policano

Approved: Kathleen Policano and Geraldine Mola

Abstain: Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

FINANCIAL REPORTS

April Trial Balance

Kathleen Policano made a motion to approve the April 2018 Trial Balance.

First: Doris Wechtler

Second: Geraldine Mola

Approved: Geraldine Mola, Kathleen Policano, Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

April Bill's List

Kathleen Policano made a motion to approve the April 2018 Bill's List in the amount of \$12,246.74

First: Doris Wechtler

Second: Francesco Fasolo

Approved: Geraldine Mola, Kathleen Policano, Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

OTHER REPORTS

Kathleen Policano made a motion to accept the April 2018 Director's Report

First: Doris Wechtler

Second: Francesco Fasolo

Approved: Geraldine Mola, Kathleen Policano, Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

- Doris Wechtler commented on the success of the children's programs and complimented the program coordinator Leanne Ross on a job well done.

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Kathleen Policano made a motion to accept the April 2018 Reference Report

First: Doris Wechtler

Second: Geraldine Mola

Approved: Geraldine Mola, Kathleen Policano, Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

Kathleen Policano made a motion to accept the April 2018 Circulation Report

First: Doris Wechtler

Second: Francesco Fasolo

Approved: Geraldine Mola, Kathleen Policano, Doris Wechtler, Francesco Fasolo, and Mayor Caramagna

- Doris Wechtler commented that circulation is going up but there is still an impact from the ongoing delivery issue problems.

RSC ARCHITECTS: Presentation of renovation plan

Jeff Schlecht from RSC Architects presented an overview of the building project and a timeline for the work.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- Kathleen Policano read an email from Nancy Levine, an Elmwood Park resident, who would like to arrange a donation of a tree or flowering bush to the Elmwood Park Library in memory of her cousin. Additional monies would be donated to the children's section of the library. The trustees thanked Ms. Levine and agreed that this is generous offer and a heartfelt gesture in memory of her cousin. It was suggested that Ms. Levine contact the trustees after the building renovation is completed so they can implement this request.
- Kathleen Policano gave an update on the building project. The information for the bidding process is being processed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeffrey Freitag 35 Hillman Drive

- Mr. Freitag commented on the bidding process

Lorraine Pellegrine 83 Elm Street

- Mrs. Pellegrine asked about the progress of the renovation of the Hut.
- Mrs. Pellegrine suggested that the public have an opportunity to see the building renovation plans.

ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION

- The public meeting was adjourned at 7:23 for the board to meet in closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

- The public meeting reconvened at 8:50 P.M. The trustees announced that no decisions were finalized in closed session.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Kathleen Policano adjourned the public meeting at 8:51 P.M.