

Meeting Minutes: Special Board Meeting: December 10, 2020

Call to Order: At 9:05 pm, President Hill called the Special meeting of the River Forest Public Library Board of Trustees to order. The roll was taken.

- Trustees Present: Hill, Bevan, Smedinghoff, Hopkinson, Long, Calabrese-Berry and Stierwalt
- Also Present: Joanna Bertucci, Interim Co-Director

President Hill made the following announcement at the start of the December 10, 2020 special meeting. Governor Pritzker signed Bill 2135, which specifies requirements for meetings of public bodies while Illinois is under a state of emergency and disaster declaration due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The bill states that if an in person meeting is not practical or prudent, members of the public body can call into a meeting as long as one Trustee or the Chief Executive Officer is present at the public body's physical location. All votes must be roll call votes and the meeting must be recorded.

In order to comply with this law, Interim Co-Director Joanna Bertucci is present at the River Forest Public Library building (735 Lathrop Ave., River Forest, Illinois) and the meeting is being recorded via Zoom.

Public Comments:

- None submitted

New Business

- Special Meeting Date
 - President Hill scheduled a Special Meeting for Thursday, December 17th at 9:00. The meeting will take place on Zoom and Ms. Bertucci will be physically present at RFPL.

Closed Session: 5 ILCS 120/2c(1)

- A motion was made by Trustee Long and seconded by Trustee Bevan to go into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1 of the Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote was taken.
 - Ayes: Bevan, Calabrese-Berry, Hill, Hopkinson, Long, Smedinghoff and Stierwalt
- Closed session took place from 9:10 am – 11:26 am
- At 11:26 am, President Hill asked for a motion to return to open session. Trustee Long moved to return to open session, Trustee Calabrese-Berry seconded and a roll call vote was taken:
 - Ayes: Bevan, Calabrese-Berry, Hill, Hopkinson, Long, Smedinghoff and Stierwalt

- President Hill stated the board discussed employment matters as they pertain to 5 ILCS 120/2c(1) and no action was taken during closed session.

At 11:27 am Trustee Stierwalt moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Trustee Smedinghoff seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

- Ayes: Bevan, Smedinghoff, Hill, Hopkinson, Long, Calabrese-Berry, Stierwalt.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Hopkinson
Secretary