

Parlin-Ingersoll Public Library Board of Trustees
Minutes for December 3, 2019

A.) Call to Order:

Present: Jana Emmons, Laura Kessel, Cathy Ludlum, Trygve Meade, Michelle Quinones, Rhonda Vogel, Keely Vollmar

Absent: Kim Freiley, Brad O'Brien

B.) Public Comments

There were no public comments.

C.) Agenda Items

1.) Letter to City Attorney Chris Jump about Library Taxation

Mr. Meade opened the discussion on the informational letter to City Attorney Chris Jump about library taxation. He acknowledged this was a new issue for everyone, but the consensus seemed to be there was a financial need to do so. He reviewed the procedural steps listed in the letter and asked for comments. Mrs. Quinones said she was not comfortable with taxation given the amount of monies in library reserves, but she understood the board's concern for the future. Mrs. Ludlum noted the impact the increase in minimum wage would have on library income.

Approved Motion: The board voted to approve sending the letter to City Attorney Chris Jump. (Motion: Ms. Emmons; Second: Mrs. Ludlum) Roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Emmons, Ms. Kessel, Mrs. Ludlum, Mr. Meade, Mrs. Vogel, Mrs. Vollmar. Nays: Mrs. Quinones.

2.) Replacement Trustee for Brad O'Brien

Mr. O'Brien has resigned effective December 31, 2019. The Board had discussed several candidates at the previous meetings and selected Chris Leighton as their recommended replacement to fill the remainder of Mr. O'Brien's term until May 2021. Chris is the Vice President of Operations and Chief Financial Officer at MidAmerica National Bank. He is also a CPA. He attended the November board meeting and plans to attend a trustee orientation meeting with Mrs. Bunner on December 18th.

Approved Motion: The board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of Chris Leighton to the library board and to send their recommendation to Mayor McDowell and City Council. (Motion: Mrs. Quinones; Second: Mrs. Vogel).

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m. (Motion: Mrs. Ludlum; Second: Mr. Meade).

Attest: _____
Secretary

Date: _____