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Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Thursday, September 6, 2012

4:30 PM

Library Maintenance Annex
Suite 5
2422 Pennsylvania Ave.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 7 -

Larry Palm; Tracy K. Kuczenski; Sheri Carter; Ann L. Falconer; David L. Wallner; Theodore C. Widder, III and Gregory Markle

Excused: 2 -

Beth Moss and Barbara J. Karlen

Also Present: Greg Mickells, Susan Lee, Jane Roughen, Mark Benno, Alice Oakey, Tana Elias, Sally Miley, John Schmitt, Bryan Cooper, Michael Spellman, Marc Gartler, Mayor Paul Soglin, Sally Miley, Brad Murphy, Dave Schmiedicke, Ald. Joe Clausius, Shelle Michalak

Tripp Widder called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Widder began the meeting by welcoming and introducing new Library Director Greg Mickells and announcing that this was long time board member Ann Falconer's final meeting. Widder thanked Falconer for her long history of service to the library and Madison community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Wallner, seconded by Carter to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote with all members voting in the affirmative with the except of Palm who abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There was none.

BOARD INFORMATION EXCHANGE

There was none.

**DISCUSSION OF 2013 BUDGET AND LONG RANGE FACILITY PLANNING BY FINANCE
DIRECTOR DAVID SCHMIEDICKE**

City of Madison Finance Director Dave Schmiedicke gave a power point presentation titled: 2013 Budget Outlook...and Beyond. The presentation is available for viewing at : <http://madison.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=1996507&GUID=14CBFF5E-443C-46AA-9F23-A44C187FC035>

Schmiedicke highlighted the following bright spots and future challenges:

- City's general fund reserves much stronger at the end of 2011.
- 2012 estimated actuals on-track and slightly ahead of budget.
- No further state budget action until summer of 2013 (impacting 2014 City budget).
- Current law levy limits will place severe constraints on 2013 budget.
- Post 2013 expenditure commitments expected to grow faster than allowable levy growth under levy limits.

The 2013 budget faces advanced commitments of \$ 18.7 million and an allowable levy increase of \$ 8.7 million resulting in a gap of \$ 10 million. Levy limits are constraining advance commitment costs.

Wallner asked about a wheel tax. Schmiedicke replied that there are only a few cities in WI that charge a wheel tax.

Markle inquired about impact fees. Schmiedicke advised that there are some options but the State of WI limits them. Planning Dept. Director Brad Murphy remarked that there is a list of allowable impact fees under state legislation but they may not make sense for the library. It would be necessary to have a tight library branch planning program. Murphy will research and share more information with the library board.

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Long Range Facilities Needs Analysis/Library

Schmiedicke also led a discussion on the long range facility plan. There are increasing constraints on the city to meet facilities needs. A site on Badger Rd. has been identified by the long range facilities planning team for a total estimated construction cost of \$10 million to be shared by fleet services, fire maintenance, traffic engineering's radio shop and the library . The library share would be \$ 3.25 million. Murphy explained that the long range facilities planning team has been in existence but wasn't meeting and each agency was doing their own thing. The team is now meeting regularly and the shared group planning has been very positive and sensible.

Mayor Paul Soglin presented retiring board member Ann Falconer with a proclamation honoring her work serving the City of Madison. Soglin stated that he appointed Ann to her first committee in 1973 and he will miss her as will many of her colleagues she has served with over the years. Falconer shared how she enjoyed her work and the process, standards development and flying high with what you could accomplish. Her work has given her pleasure and confidence in the ability of Madison's citizens. Wallner observed that Ann is the model of an active informed citizen. Best wishes Ann!

FUTURE BRANCH PLANNING DISCUSSION WITH BRAD MURPHY, DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Brad Murphy led a discussion regarding population trends and areas where the library may consider expanding. Murphy shared maps showing existing land use in the city, a generalized future land use plan, draft population estimates, library patronage by branch and population change from 2000-2010.

Ald. Joe Clausius explained that he is looking for direction from the board regarding locating a branch on Egan Rd at the site of the old Leath Furniture/Phillips Dept. store site. The Capital Improvement Plan includes land acquisition funds for a new northeast side branch in 2015.

Widder requested that Greg Mickells report at a future board meeting his thoughts on how to address branch siting in general and especially the northeast side.

ACCEPTANCE OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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September 2012 Library Director's Report

A motion was made by Wallner, seconded by Markle, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Widder thanked Susan Lee for her work as interim director and noted it was a job well done.

APPROVAL OF JULY 2012 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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July 2012 Financial Statements

A motion was made by Carter, seconded by Falconer, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN SHARED INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM AND TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

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ILS-TechAgreement 2013

A motion was made by Falconer, seconded by Kuczenski, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

UPDATE ON CENTRAL LIBRARY

Bryan Cooper reported that construction remains mostly on schedule. The existing roof structure wasn't level resulting in some delays and additional work for both the design team and Findorff. The air handling unit has been delivered and placed at basement level. Chillers and other equipment installation is underway in the basement chiller room and continued mechanical, electrical and plumbing rough-in work is being done throughout the building. The target date for turning the building over to the library is late April. Sixty-eight donors have responded to the foundation's invitation for a hard hat tour. This is scheduled for September 20th and will be a walk around the first floor only.

Cooper also provided the board a hand-out detailing contract paid to date figures. A copy of this report is available by contacting the Library Administration office at 266-6342 or cofstun@cityofmadison.com.

FACILITIES REPORT

Mark Benno volunteered to lead a tour of the maintenance annex after the meeting for anyone interested.

FRIENDS REPORT

Ann Falconer reported that the Friends group has an area for storage and sorting at the Library Maintenance Annex. They are planning to move to the new facility identified in the Long Range Facility Plan when it opens in 2-3 years.

FOUNDATION REPORT

There was none.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY REPORT

There was none.

DANE COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE REPORT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Wallner and seconded by Falconer to adjourn. Approval was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.