



MEETING MINUTES
EVANSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, September 8, 2021
Special Budget Meeting
6:30 PM
Main Library, Community Meeting Room & via Zoom

As the result of an executive order issued by Governor J.B. Pritzker suspending in-person attendance requirements for public meetings due to COVID-19, Library Trustees, staff and guests participated in this meeting remotely.

Members Present: Tracy Fulce, Rachel Hayman, Shawn Iles, Margaret Lurie, Benjamin Schapiro and Terry Soto

Members Absent: Adam Goodman

Staff Present: Karen Danczak Lyons, Teri Campbell and Lea Hernandez-Solis

Presiding Member: Tracy Fulce, President

Call to order/Declaration of Quorum: President Fulce called the meeting to order when a quorum of Trustees was established at 6:32 p.m.

Citizen Comment: None

New Business: (Discussion only)

- A. Proposed 2022 Base Budget**
- B. Proposed 2022 Adjustment Budget**
- C. Proposed 2022 Capital Budget**

Assistant Director Campbell presented the request to fund the Library for 2022 with operating, debt subsidy and capital requests based upon current and projected revenues and expenditures, priority initiatives and values and necessary capital investments. The budget request included a 3% overall increase over 2021, including a 3% property tax increase. Campbell explained the line items that drive the increase including a 3% contractual wage increase, new electrical costs and rebates, and known contractual increases. Trustees raised questions and asked for additional information in order to be prepared to take action.

Upon motion made by President Fulce, seconded by Trustee Iles and approved by a vote of 5 to 1, it was decided to add a new agenda item to move into Executive Session.

Executive Session – Personnel

Upon proper motion made by President Fulce seconded by Trustee Iles and approved by a vote of 5 to 1. Trustees commenced closed session discussion of a personnel matter.

Adjournment:

The motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Schapiro and seconded by Trustee Fulce and approved by unanimous roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Submitted by: Terry Soto / Teri Campbell