



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE CICERO PUBLIC LIBRARY HELD AT THE  
CICERO PUBLIC LIBRARY ON  
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023  
5:00 P.M.

President Vargas called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Secretary Mary Hernandez called roll. The following Trustees were present: President Ismael Vargas, Vice-President Grazzini, Trustees Mario Castaneda, Rosemarie Esposito, Secretary Mary Hernandez and Trustee Alfonso Vega. Also present were Library Director Sandra Tomschin, Board Attorney Sean McGrath and Recording Secretary Maria Salinas.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**New Business**

July 2, 2023, Flood Event – Disaster Declaration

Library Director Sandra Tomschin briefed the Trustees of the losses incurred by the library due to the flood of July 2, 2023. She noted that the basement flooded and it incurred two feet of water, there was a leak in the roof that caused damaged. She called in a cleaning company to assist with the cleaning and restoration. She obtained two estimates for the repair of the roof and took care of all matters regarding the flood and the damages incurred. She noted that various library materials were damaged that incurred costs of approximate \$ 14,000.00.

President Vargas noted that he viewed the damages on the roof and noted that there were emergency repairs needed as soon as possible. He wanted to be proactive and called for a special meeting to expedite the necessary repairs to avoid further deterioration. He discussed the gutters that needed to be replaced as soon as possible. He discussed the roof and said it was solid, however, other areas around roof need to be repaired. He noted that the proposal of \$ 22,700.00 would be feasible for the repairs and it would include a new gutter system. He briefed the Trustees on the scope of work



involved in the noted proposal and disseminated the detailed proposal for their review. He also noted that the library's operations would not be interrupted during the work process.

Secretary Hernandez made a motion to approve the Interim Controls/Roof Repair Proposal in the amount of \$ 22,700.00, for immediate emergency repairs, due to the flood as presented. Trustee Vega seconded the motion. Roll call: All Trustees present voting aye: President Vargas, Vice-President Grazzini, Trustees Castaneda, Esposito, Secretary Hernandez and Trustee Vega. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### **Public Comments**

There were none presented.

### **Adjourn into Executive Session**

There was no need for an Executive Session.

### **Informational Item**

President Vargas announced that the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting would be held on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Cicero Public Library.

### **Adjourn Meeting**

Trustee Esposito made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Trustee Castaneda seconded the motion. Roll call: All Trustees present voting aye: President Vargas, Vice-President Grazzini, Trustees Castaneda, Esposito, Secretary Hernandez and Trustee Vega. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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Secretary