Rochester Hills Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
November 1, 2021

I. The Board of Trustees of the Rochester Hills Public Library held a special meeting on Monday, November 1, 2021 in the boardroom of the library. The President called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. The presiding officer was Robert Bonam.

A quorum of the board was present including Robert Bonam, Gregg Christenson, Anne Kucher, Madge Lawson. Suba Subbarao had an excused absence and Chuck Stouffer was not present.

Guests included Library Director Juliane Morian and Oakland Township Liaison Michael Tyler. No members of the public attended.

II. Rochester Hills Public Library (RHPL) parking lot rebuilding quote

A. Members of the finance committee provided an update to the full board with their recommendation to accept the lowest responsible bid from James P. Contracting with the requirement to complete the south lot work in fall of 2021 and the remainder of the work in spring of 2022.

B. Michael Tyler commented that expediting work in the fall of 2021 would cost the library $3,000 more and he would prefer to see all the work completed in spring of 2022.

C. Mr. Christenson commented that getting a 6-month jump on necessary work in the south lot sooner rather than later was worth the additional $3,000 expense.

D. Discussion ensued regarding impact on patrons in regards to access to parking spaces and the drive thru during the construction phase (approximately 1 week), possible delays due to inclement weather, the urgency in addressing the small sinkhole forming in the south lot, and the rising costs of construction and labor shortages.

E. Mr. Christenson, seconded by Ms. Lawson, moved that the RHPL Board of Trustees approve the full bid submitted by James P. Contracting, with the requirement that the south parking lot work commence in fall 2021, and the west parking lot and the alternate bid loading dock work commence in spring 2022. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

F. Ms. Kucher, seconded by Mr. Christenson, moved that the RHPL Board of Trustees approve the library director to enter into contract with James P. Contracting upon review of legal agreement, and approve additional expenditures of up to 10% contingency. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

III. The special meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

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Anne Kucher, Secretary