

PARK FOREST PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

May 18, 2023

The regular meeting of the Park Forest Public Library Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm.

**SWEARING IN OF NEW TRUSTEES**

Village Clerk Sheila McGann swore in the new trustees: Katherine Coleman, Felicia Rangel, Alan Shnay, Sevena Merchant, and Jessica Rodrigues.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Trustee Rangel nominated Sevena Merchant for president.  
Trustee Jefferson seconded.  
The motion passed.

Trustee Shnay nominated Felicia Rangel for vice president.  
Trustee Jefferson seconded.  
The motion passed.

Trustee Rangel nominated Alan Shnay for secretary.  
Trustee Jefferson seconded.  
The motion passed.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present were:

Park Forest Public Library Board Members: Sevena Merchant, Katherine Coleman, Lance L. Jefferson, Alice McBride, Felicia Rangel, Jessica Rodrigues, and Alan Shnay

Absent: none

Park Forest Public Library Staff: Barbara Osuch, Jennifer Oosterbaan, Mary VanSwol, and Millie Robles

Also present: Village Clerk Sheila McGann, Chuck Valandingham, Victor Blackful, Beth Brecher, Toni Contreras, Ruben Contreras Sr., Kyliah May, Brandon Coleman, Daisy Fernandez, Ruben Contreras Jr., Marion Coleman, and Charles Coleman

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 20, 2023, and the special meeting of May 2, 2023, were approved as submitted.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Library Director Osuch stated that she was excited to see so many people in the audience, and she looks forward to working with the new Board. She distributed materials to the new trustees.

### **AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

No one addressed the board.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Library Director Osuch stated that the financial report was included in the packet. The interest income is up from last year. The library still has some drive-up window costs to be paid.

### **REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT**

President Merchant welcomed the new trustees. She stated that she looks forward to working with the new Board.

### **REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN**

Library Director Osuch noted that the perennials are doing well. The landscapers will be coming in to plant annuals. The library is on track for construction completion in early June. The grand opening of the drive-up window will likely happen the first week of July.

### **REPORT OF THE OLYMPIA FIELDS PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE**

Library Director Osuch stated that the Olympia Fields Public Library Board will be swearing in new trustees at their meeting.

### **DISASTER RECOVERY PLAN – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING**

The Board reviewed the Disaster Recovery Plan.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.