

**JOINT VILLAGE-LIBRARY MEETING  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS**

**ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE STATION**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019 8:30 A.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Hayes; Trustees: Baldino,  
LaBedz, Tinaglia, Scaletta, Blackwood,  
Sidor, Rosenberg, Scaletta.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustees: Tinaglia

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Recklaus, Village Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Arlington Heights Library Trustees, various Library  
Staff

**SUBJECTS:**

Citizens to be Heard

Library Items of Interest to Share

Village Items of Interest to Share

Other Topics for Discussion

Adjournment

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President Hayes and Library Board President Smart called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Both made introductory comments commending the level of intergovernmental cooperation present in Arlington Heights.

**Public Comment**

Ms. Cayer commented on the posting of the meeting agenda on the Village of Arlington Heights' website.

**Library Topics of Interest**

Library Executive Director Mike Driskell presented information on the library and its interest to acquire the building at 112 North Belmont Avenue, the original library location. The building could house a makerspace that would offer opportunities to

all ages for hands-on experiential STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics) learning.

The library has discussed the concept with entities within the community to gauge interest, and has received overwhelming support. Arlington Heights School Districts 25 and 214 have both expressed interest in utilizing the space. The Arlington Heights Park District has been supportive as a potential neighbor. The Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce has great ideas on expanding services to connect even further with the business community. Overall, the facility could provide something for everyone and give the community tools to do amazing things.

An informational community meeting with officials from the library and village has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall (Buechner Room).

Library Board President Smart gave an update on the Arlington Heights Memorial Library Foundation. The foundation has been recognized as an Illinois not-for-profit corporation and has filed an application for 501(c)(3) status; has seated its board; is writing policies and procedures; and is developing its infrastructure. Ms. Hastings is the library staff liaison to the foundation.

### **Village Topics of Interest**

Mr. Recklaus presented information on the following:

Village of Arlington Heights Police Station - was finished this winter and under budget. The facility is almost twice the size as the previous police station. A public open house will be schedule in the spring. The 2018 crime statistics show that Arlington Heights had the lowest crime rate ever recorded in Arlington Heights.

#### **Downtown Construction**

- Resurfacing Northwest Highway
- Union Pacific Northwest railroad crossing work at Dunton Avenue
- Storm water system work along Campbell and Sigwalt Streets
- Update brick paver system
- Three new crossing locations
- Gas main work by Nicor

## Building Construction Projects for 2019

- Arlington Downs project located near the Arlington International Racecourse off Euclid Avenue and Route 53, with hotel, 417 housing units, and retail stores
- Proposed Arlington 425 project located between Chestnut Avenue and Campbell Street, with three buildings consisting of 358 housing units and retail

Parking Study – was completed last fall and recommendations were made to improve signage and availability of downtown parking and in garages.

## Village Nurse Services

- Quarterly blood pressure screening with Village Nurses at the library
- Flu shots have been added
- New program titled “Ask Me Anything” about health issues

There are many joint opportunities for the Village and the library to offer services to the community. The Village’s Social Services Coordinator held a Resources Hour at the library.

The Village would like to be able to sell land waste stickers at the library.

Library Board President Smart added the library has begun the process to become a passport processing acceptance facility.

## **Other Topics of Discussion**

No other items for discussion

## **Adjournment**

Moved by Trustee Sidor and Second by Trustee LaBedz. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:49am