

Bensenville Community Public Library Board Meeting
Special Meeting Minutes
December 3rd, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Bensenville Community Public Library District held a Special Meeting on Thursday, December 3, 2020. President Linda-Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Trustees Present: Linda Weiss (via Zoom), Mandi Zalewski (via Zoom), Kathy Quinn (via Zoom), and Tina Lux (via Zoom)

Trustees Absent: Susan Earley, Jim Ricker

Also Present: David Sieffert

The Chair verified the existence of a quorum.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM MIDWESCO MECHANICAL AND ENERY TO UPGRADE EXCISTING BUILDING CONTROLS AND ADD DEMAND CONTROL VENTILATION TO IMPROVE INFOOR AIR QUALITY AND IMPROVE CIRCULATION

Motion: Quinn moved to approve the proposal/ Seconded by Zalewski.

Discussion: The Bensenville Community Public Library requested, and was approved for, CARES funding to be used in modernizing our existing Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system. The changes we wish to put into place will enhance our current system so that it better protects library patrons and staff from airborne threats posed by the COVID-19 virus.

Our current system is dependent upon outdated software that cannot be modified to change critical

aspects of the HVAC functionality, such as amount of outside air intake. Increased circulation of fresh air has been shown to reduce COVID infection rates in indoor spaces (World Health Organization, Coronavirus disease: Ventilation and air conditioning). Our current system also contains no mitigation measures beyond traditional furnace air filters. The changes we propose will address these shortcomings and help protect our communities of users who are at heightened risks for COVID-related health complications.

The Board is all in agreement that this is an **emergency expenditure** to put the Library in a better position to deal with the severity of COVID and the current worldwide public health crisis. The Board believes that this expenditure will be beneficial to staff, but and most importantly patrons who utilize the Library.

Roll Call:

Aye:	Zalewski, Quinn, Lux, Weiss
Nay:	None
Absent:	Ricker, Earley
Abstain:	None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Quinn moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm. Seconded by Zalewski and carried unanimously.

Roll Call:

Aye:	Zalewski, Quinn, Lux, Weiss
Nay:	None
Absent:	Ricker, Earley

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

Tina Lux, Secretary

