

Freeport Public Library
Selection Committee Meeting Minutes
November 27, 2017

The meeting was Called to Order at 5:00 PM

Present: Jim Ferrar, Jim Bienlien, Jill Collin, Debra Milliman

Missing: Scott Haugh, Larry Pittsley

A quorum of the Committee is present

A motion to approve the Minutes of the October 11, 2017 meeting was made by Jill Collin and seconded by Jim Bielen. The motion was approved.

A motion was made to go to Executive Session per 5 ILCS (c) (1) – to discuss “the appointment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employee of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity” by Debra Milliman and seconded by Jim Bielen. The motion carried.

The purpose of the meeting was to make a recommendation to the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees for the new Director of the Freeport Public Library.

A summary of the current status of the four candidates was presented:

Mikael Jacobsen – withdrew on November 19, 2017.

Emily Klonicki, Charity Gallardo, and Laura Keyes were still active candidates.

It was noted to the Committee that the Library was not included in the City of Freeport residency ordinance 2017-52.

Discussion ensued about each candidate.

A motion was made by Debra Milliman and seconded by Jill Collin to recommend to the Board of Trustees Charity Gallardo as the new Director of the Freeport Public Library with an expectation to relocate to Freeport within six months of the end of her probationary period. A roll call vote was taken with unanimous approval of the motion.

The Committee referred the discussion of a compensation package to the full board.

A motion was made by Jill Collin and seconded by Jim Bielen to close the Executive session and return to Open Session. The motion carried.

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Seeing that the business of the Committee had been completed the chair welcomed a motion to adjourn. Debra Milliman made the motion and it was seconded by Jim Bielen. The motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM