

PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
REPORT OF BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 17, 2020

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE, ROLL CALL: The Building & Grounds Committee met in the Library's Lower Level Bay Area at 15025 S. Illinois St. Chair Knight called the Committee meeting of October 17, 2020, to order at 10:03 a.m. Roll call was conducted. Regular members present: Knight, Schmidt, Gilmore as ex officio. Regular members absent: Cann. Staff present: Pappas, Agne, Hartley. Guests present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: The committee first toured the three properties owned by the Library, focusing on the idea presented to demolish the shed and garage at 15022 S. Rte 59 and install a pavilion on the concrete pad in order to host outdoor programs in a more efficient and comfortable way. Back inside, the committee reviewed the Longevity document and the Building Improvements document and discussed the following priority projects:

- Upgrading the fire panel to an addressable one, as recommended by the Fire Department
- Removing the two black tall lantern street lights in front of the Library and replacing them with sidewalk lighting
- Moving forward with the demolition of the 15022 garage and shed
- Continuing the in-house upgrading to LED lighting in the last spaces, including the offices
- Upgrades to the software and hardware for the Route 59 digital sign

The committee then discussed the items from the Building Improvement list in the Projects Requiring Design and Construction Expertise, including whether to do them as a whole renovation projection and how these fit into the larger picture of expansion. The committee has recommendations that I will announce when we get to the action items on the agenda.

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:

- The Library proceed with the priority items of replacing the fire panel, removing the lantern posts, demolishing the 15022 S Rte 59 garage and shed, finishing the LED lighting project and upgrading the Route 59 sign.
- The committee recommends the Finance Committee meet to determine a budget and then recommends hiring an architectural firm to provide estimates on costs to complete the projects listed in the Projects Requiring Design and Construction Expertise listing in order to prepare an RFP for an architectural firm to complete the projects.

Committee adjourned meeting at 12:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

Vicki Knight
Chair of Building & Grounds Committee