

**Minutes of the Northbrook Public Library  
Special Meeting  
January 25, 2007**

**Trustees Present:** Ms. Conat, Mr. Früm, Ms. Imrem, Mr. Lonoff, Ms. Mayer, Mr. Peltz and Ms. Plumb

**Trustees Absent:** None

**Public:** Mr. Lonn Frye, Mr. John Gillan, Mr. Wyman Mastin, Mr. Richard Thompson

**Staff Present:** Mr. Gianni, Mr. Robbins

Ms. Plumb called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

● **Review of Revised Drawings:** Mr. Frye began the review with a PowerPoint presentation on the changed elements in Scheme C that arose from the Board discussion of January 11, 2007.

These included:

- Gift Shop moved east
- Cafe moved to where the two stand-alone toilets were
- Off-center film projection room
- A potential third piano, located in expanded Pollak Room
- Room divider in Pollak Room
- Potential art space in West Lobby
- Kitchenettes in each meeting venue
- New 8-person Conference Room
- Heavy, thick, high-performance sound walls in auditorium
- 3 stand-alone toilets north of west lobby
- No piano lift, but 2 pianos at stage level
- Stair-climber wheelchair lift in stairway to Green Room
- Under-sidewalk tunnel behind stage
- Architectural "Event" at center of south building facade
- No reduction in parking spaces

Ms. Plumb asked if the wheelchair lift had room for a wheel chair and attendant. Mr. Frye said that the models that they had installed in the past had room for one, but Frye Gillan & Molinaro (FGM) could look at other models. Ms. Conat asked if the lift could be used without the assistance of a librarian.

Mr. Früm suggested that the kitchenette in the small meeting room be dropped and the one in the Civic Room be moved adjacent to the one in the Green Room in order to save money. He also suggested that the second kitchenette in the Pollak Room may not be necessary. Mr. Gianni recommended that Ms. Hicks be consulted on the latter point. Mr. Früm suggested that the Green Room was overly large and some of that space could be given over to the Civic Room. Mr. Gianni suggested that it might be usable for storage space. Ms. Plumb mentioned that it should be large enough to serve as "backstage".

Mr. Gillan said that in discussions in 2004 with the Village, there appeared to be no immediately apparent red flag issues with remodeling the building as long as its foot print remained the same and the parking wasn't affected. Ms. Plumb said that she wanted to discuss the timing of approaching the Village with Mr. Raymond.

● **Fund Raising Drawing:**

Ms. Plumb said that the Board had sufficient satisfaction with the current schema, although further improvements were likely, and asked what the next step should be in preparing drawings for donors. Mr. Frye said that it depended on which donor audience that the library was targeting, but a number of conceptual watercolors would be appropriate. Mr. Gillan said that the project should be divided into discrete funding opportunities. Mr. Frye summarized the next steps as 1) New schematics would be created based on the Board's comments; 2) As many funding opportunities would be developed as possible; 3) Jim Creath at Pepper Construction would be queried as to estimated costs for the funding opportunities and; 4) Sketches would be created for fundraising purposes.

Mr. Früm asked for a clarification on the project figures from a January 22, 2007 from FGM to Mr. Raymond and Ms. Plumb. Mr. Gillan said that the figures noted detailed the design development fee to date.

● **Discussion Regarding Early Closing February 9, 2007:**

Mr. Peltz moved to close the library at 4:30 on Friday, February 9, 2007. Mr. Früm seconded. All Trustees voted "aye".

● Mr. Peltz moved to adjourn, Ms. Mayer seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Eric Robbins, Recorder    January 26, 2007

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Howard Peltz,            Secretary