

Present:

Trustees: Pat Held, Joanne Riedl, Julie Black, Stacy Bawden, Carole Karenke, and Linda Johnson

Library Staff: Amy Fry

Residents: Lucille Mumma and Kathleen Farrell

Absent: Pam Bragg (Trustee)

1. Call to Order: 6:02pm

2. Public Comment

- 3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)
- 4. Unfinished Business
- 5. New Business
 - a. Introduction and Purpose On June 10, 2022, Governor Pritzker signed the Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act, 50 ILCS 70/1 et seq., into law. This law requires all Illinois local governments that impose a tax (as defined in the Act and exempting municipalities and counties) to convene a committee to study and report on local government efficiency. There are certain actions that impacted local governments must take to take the first step in compliance with this law by no later than June 10, 2023.

Under this law, impacted local governments must:

- Form a committee to study local efficiencies and meet for the first time no later than June 10, 2023.
- Have the committee meet at least three times.
- Prepare a written report with recommendations (if any) on efficiencies and increased accountability.
- File the report with the county (or each county in which your local government is located).
- b. Identification of Committee Members Section 10(b) of the Act specifies that the committee's membership must include:
 - the elected or appointed members of the governing board
 - Officers: Pat Held, Joanne Riedl, Julie Black, Stacy Bawden
 - Trustees: Carole Karenke, Pam Bragg, and Linda Johnson
 - Any chief executive officer (such as the library director) of the local government.
 - Library Director: Amy Fry
 - The committee must also include at least two residents within the territory served by the local government who are appointed by the board president (Pat Held).
 - Residents: Lucille Mumma and Kathleen Farrell
- c. Review of Core Services and Programs The committee will review all core services and Programs at the second Decennial Meeting, date TBD. Amy will prepare a list of services, but all committee members will provide input.
- d. Review of Laws, Policies, Rules and Procedures, Training Materials The committee will review laws, policies, rules and procedures, and training materials at the second Decennial meeting, date TBD. These include:
 - State laws applicable to Libraries

- Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.)
- Policy on public comment
- Designation of OMA officer (5 ILCS 120/1.05(a))
- All Board Members have completed OMA Training (5 ILCS 120/1.05(b))
- Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Library Board (5 ILCS 120/2.03)
- Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.)
- Designation of FOIA Officer (5 ILCS 140/3.5(a))
- FOIA Officer Training (5 ILCS 140/3.5(b))
- Computation and Retention of FOIA Requests (5 ILCS 140/3.5(a))
- Posting Other Required FOIA Information (5 ILCS 140/4(a); 5 ILCS 140/4(b))
- List of Types or Categories of FOIA Records under Library Control (5 ILCS)
- 140/5)
- Periodic Meetings to Review Closed Meeting Minutes (5 ILCS 120/2.06(d))
- Designation of Whistleblower Auditing Official (50 ILCS 105/4.1 et seq.)
- All applicable officials have filed statements of economic interests (5 ILCS 420/4A-101; 5 ILCS 420/4A-101.5 et seq.)
- Sexual harassment prevention training (775 ILCS 5/2-109(C)
- Our budget and financial documents
- State Ethics Laws, including, but not limited to the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act (5 ILCS 430/1-1 et seq.)
- Reports on government efficiency, including "Local Government Efficiency and Size in Illinois: Counting Tax Revenues, Not Governments" by Wendell Cox (2016)
- e. Review of Existing Efficiencies The committee will review all existing efficiencies at the second Decennial Meeting.

These include:

- Intergovernmental Agreements
- Community Partnerships
- f. Identification of Efficiency Opportunities The committee will identify opportunities for additional efficiencies at the second Decennial Meeting.

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- Opportunities for Intergovernmental Agreements
- Opportunities for Community Partnerships
- g. Meeting Dates The next meeting date will be determined at the September 20th regular Rock River Library District Meeting.
- h. Survey of Residents in Attendance There were 0 residents in attendance.
- 6. Items to be Placed on Next Meeting's Agenda The second meeting will be used to take the information gathered by the committee and compile it into a draft report. The committee will also identify any additional information that might be needed to prepare a final report.

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