

SPECIAL JOINT COUNCIL/LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MARCH 25, 2019 AT 4:30 P.M.

The meeting was opened by announcing this was an open meeting of the Common Council. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the official City newspaper, The New Richmond News, and to all news media who have requested the same as well as posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the City Clerk's office and on the City's website at www.newrichmondwi.gov. Anyone desiring information as to forthcoming meetings should contact the City Clerk's office.

Roll call was taken.

Council Members Present: Mayor Horne, Aldermen Kittel, Ard, Jackson, Montello, Volkert and Zajkowski

Library Board Members Present: Jarell Kuney, Patty Van Nevel and Marla Hall

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Alderman Ard moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Alderman Jackson and carried.

RFQ Process

Marla Hall, Vice-President of the Library Board, explained that she is excited for the project and talked about the needs and wants of the community. The next step is for the Library to meet on Wednesday afternoon to review the RFQs. Twelve firms submitted proposals. Interviews will be done in April based on the Library Board Schedule. Site selection is anticipated mid-summer. The hope is to have a shovel in the ground in 2020.

Funding Scenarios

Mike Darrow explained the options for funding were discussed with Sean Lentz from Ehlers. The Council still needs to weigh in on this. Phase I would use \$1.3 million starting in 2020 using cash reserves. Phase II would be \$2.7 million to come from fundraising. Those funds would go into the construction phase in 2021 with project completion anticipated in 2022. Phase III would be on-going construction, up to \$2 million in 2022. The total cost of the project is not to exceed \$6 million. After a design plan is accepted, the capital campaign could begin. The Library Board will know more about the timeline after their meeting on Wednesday.

Communications and Miscellaneous

None

Alderman Zajkowski moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Zajkowski, and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Tanya Batchelor
City Clerk