

# MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

240 Whitson Street \* Manhattan \* IL \* 60442

May 20, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District was called to order at 4:31 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: (voting members): Amanda Dearing, Tom Murray, Sharon Gill, Patti Blatti  
Library Staff: Ashley Hopper, Director; Marcy Juarez, Business/HR Manager

**CHANGES TO AGENDA:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS:** None.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from the April 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting were accepted and approved as presented with a motion made by Trustee Blatti and seconded by Trustee Dearing. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** April financials will be filed as presented. A motion was made by Trustee Blatti, seconded by Trustee Dearing. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

**PAYMENT OF SPECIAL BILLS:**

\*IMRF unfunded liability payment- A motion was made to pay into the unfunded liability in the amount of \$15K by Trustee Gill and seconded by Trustee Blatti. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

\*Debt Certificate Principal Payment- A motion was made to pay into the Debt Certificate Principal in the amount of \$55K by Trustee Gill and seconded by Trustee Blatti. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Given by Director Hopper.

**COMMITTEES:**

- **Budget Committee**- did not meet, will present at the June meeting.
- **Serving Our Public**- N/A
- **Village of Elwood Committee** – did not meet

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Elwood Branch Update** – Waiting for permits from the Village.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Lot (224 Mississippi Ave) Possibilities** – Tabled action. Will discuss again in fall when more information about village plans is expected.
- **Year End Budget Updates** – Include IMRF payment, debt certificate payment and landscaping for Elwood.
- **Non Resident Payment Determination** – A motion was made to continue with the Tax Bill Method by Trustee Blatti and seconded by Trustee Gill. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

**Board Comments:** None

**ADJOURNMENT: 5:47PM** Motion made by Trustee Gill and seconded by Trustee Dearing.

Respectively submitted,  
Marcy Juarez, Business/HR Manager