

## GERMANTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD

### SPECIAL MEETING

January 14, 2022

Germantown Community Library

The special meeting of the Germantown Community Library Board was called to order by President Joyce Nelson at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 14, 2022. **Members present:** Joyce Nelson, Charlene Brady, Darlene Vosen, Jan Miller (Virtual via TEAMS meeting). **Members absent:** Christa Potratz, exc., Joletta Kerpan, exc. **Also present:** Library Director, Trisha Smith, Assistant Director, Connie Lloyd. Proper notification of the meeting had been given.

MOTION (Vosen, Brady): Motion to approve agenda as printed. Motion carried (4-0).

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

### NEW BUSINESS

VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN ARPA FUNDING – The Village Board of Germantown is holding a village listening session on Monday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. to accept citizen input on how to allocate the \$2.1 million of ARPA funds granted to the Village of Germantown. The guidelines of acceptable expenditures include public library expansions. Miller requested a special session of the Library Board to discuss providing citizen input to support using ARPA funds for the design of a potential library expansion.

It was noted that the Village Board included library expansion on their documents for potential approved expenditures. It was also noted the funds are a one-time payout that do not require matching funds. All expenditures must be committed by December 31, 2024, and work completed by December 31, 2026. There was discussion regarding the various interior and exterior expansion possibilities for the funds, including architectural design work for a library building expansion. The Board also discussed possibilities to expand areas on the exterior property of the library to expand outdoor services when the weather permits.

Smith clarified the citizen input on Monday, January 17 is not for village department heads to present their requests. They will be provided a different forum. Smith has contacted the Friends of the Library, Germantown MOMS Group and library staff to make them aware of the opportunity to provide input.

MOTION (Vosen, Miller): Move to request village ARPA funds of \$400,000 to be allocated to the Germantown Community Library for interior and exterior library expansion. Motion carried (4-0).

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting of the Library Board will be Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Germantown Community Library.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Lloyd  
Assistant Director  
Germantown Community Library