

**WHITE OAK LIBRARY DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 25, 2025
6:30 PM PUBLIC HEARING – TAX LEVY @ 6:30 PM
REGULAR BOARD MEETING @ 7:00 PM
LOCKPORT BRANCH**

CALL TO ORDER

President Deanna Amann called the Public Hearing on the Tax Levy Ordinance to order at 6:30p.m. Board members present: Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy.

Board members absent: Andrew Koroma and Kelly Schneider.

Public in attendance: - none

Staff present: Scott Pointon and Patti Sacco

June Rokita-Kennedy moved to close the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Gayle Crompton seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

President Deanna Amann called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Board members present: Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy.

Absent: Andrew Koroma and Kelly Schneider.

Public in attendance: Lewis University students Tranesha Grubbs, Briza Mora, Ava Nurczyk, and Elly Sanders. Matt McManus (friend of Elly Sanders) was also present.

Staff present: Scott Pointon and Patti Sacco

PUBLIC COMMENTS: - none

MINUTES

Board members reviewed the minutes.

June Rokita-Kennedy moved to approve the October 28, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Nancy Hackett seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy. Nays - none. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – none.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Gayle Crompton read the Treasurer's Report for October 2025. Cash on hand as of October 1, 2025 was \$6,863,579.60. Income as of October 31, 2025 was \$253,446.60. Disbursements as of October 31, 2025 were \$291,097.91. The payment of the October 2025 bills was \$393,821.74. There was an adjustment of (\$2,015.91). Cash on hand as of October 31, 2025 was \$6,434,122.46.

Gayle Crompton moved the Board approve the October 2025 Treasurer's Report as presented, June Rokita-Kennedy seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes— Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy. Nays - none. Motion carried.

Personal Property Replacement Tax received to date for FY 2025-2026 was \$127,069.98. The Lockport Township estimate for FY 2025-2026 has not yet been received as of this date.

2024 Levy Real Estate Distributions and Interest received to date was \$6,872,076.64. Percent received to date is 98.75%.

Additional information regarding interest rates – the PMA Investments Report was reviewed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In addition to his written report, Scott Pointon discussed the apartment building that is planned for the land just East of the Romeoville Branch.

OLD BUSINESS

BUILDING UPDATES – none

EXECUTIVE SESSION – as authorized under 5 ILCS 120/2 for Legal Matters, Business matters, Security/Criminal matters, or any other allowable Miscellaneous matters – Personnel – To be addressed later in the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF LEVY ORDINANCE

Gayle Crompton moved the Board adopt ordinance No.2025-215 – Tax Levy Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the White Oak Library District, Will County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 as presented. Nancy Hackett seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy. Nays - none. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel

Ann Lopez-Caneva moved the Board go into Executive Session for the Director's Review. Gayle Crompton seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy. Nays - none. Motion carried.

The Board went into Executive session at 7:40p.m.

Ann Lopez-Caneva moved the Board come out of Executive session. June Rokita-Kennedy seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy. Nays - none. Motion carried.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:05p.m.

MEMBERS CONCERNS/COMMENTS

The Board members each wanted to say a few words about Scott Pointon:

Gayle Crompton said he does a wonderful job and has such good rapport with the staff.

June Rokita-Kennedy said that she loves his sense of tradition, the large programs held, and that the bookmobile has been ordered.

Nancy Hackett said she is glad to have the bookmobile coming.

Ann Lopez-Caneva said she appreciates everything he has done and the atmosphere of each branch.

Deanna Amann said he will leave an amazing legacy and she is proud that the referendum passed and the bookmobile is underway. She also said that the District has grown so much in the 19 years Scott Pointon has been here, and in that time, we have made great hires.

Deanna Amann said that a succession plan for Scott Pointon should be discussed.

DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REVIEW AND SALARY ADJUSTMENT

The Board commended Scott Pointon for his hard work and dedication during the 19 years he has been with the Library District. ***Gayle Crompton moved the Board award Scott Pointon a 4.8% salary increase and 3 additional vacation days. Nancy Hackett seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Gayle Crompton, Nancy Hackett, Ann Lopez-Caneva, and June Rokita-Kennedy. Nays - none. Motion carried.***

REVIEW OF ILLINOIS LIBRARY STANDARDS – 2025 EDITION - Chapter 1 - Access

The Board reviewed the standards in question and determined the Library District is in compliance with the guidelines.

ADJOURNMENT

Nancy Hackett moved for adjournment at 8:20p.m. Ann Lopez-Caneva seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.