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**ROUND LAKE AREA LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - SITE SELECTION SUBCOMMITTEE  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING SUMMARY  
ROUND LAKE AREA PARK DISTRICT  
814 Hart Road  
Round Lake, IL 60073  
Community Room  
December 8, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.**

All matters on the agenda may be discussed, amended, and acted upon, regardless of placement.

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**1. Call to Order**

Chris Gentes, Park District President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call:**

Mike Bock	P	Kathy Oetker	A
Anne Richmond	P	Carolina Schottland	A

Jim DiDonato, Executive Director P

Robbyn Allbee, Administrative Manager, Recording Secretary P

Joe Huberty, Architect, Engberg Anderson P

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**All present recited the Pledge**

**4. Approval of Agenda**

**A quorum for the Round Lake Area Library Site Selection Subcommittee was not met, so this was not an official meeting of the committee.**

**5. Public Introductions and Comments**

The public is invited to provide comments at the beginning of each meeting. Any person or group wishing to speak is requested to sign in prior to the meeting, indicating the issue that they are addressing. The time for comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Please note that the Board will listen to the comments but may not take official action during this meeting. However, a member of the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

**6. Communication: Architect's Presentation:**

Joe Huberty presented drafts of various expansion options the library is considering to increase the building's floor space and parking. This presentation included a position map showing location of trees located to the north of the library, on the Park District's property, overlaid on expansion options, for reference.

**7. Action Items: NONE**

The purpose of this meeting is to present the board of trustees of the Round Lake Area Park District a set of expansion options the library is considering to expand the library's floor space and parking. This is only a discussion; no action will be taken by the library at this meeting.

The Site Selection Subcommittee did not have a quorum so this was not an official meeting.

Jim DiDonato introduced Anne Richmond, Mike Bock, Joe Huberty and Robbyn Allbee to the Park District Board. Chris Gentes introduced the Park District Board.

Jim DiDonato gave a brief history of the library. He explained to the Park District Board that the purpose of the library coming to their meeting was to keep them informed of long range plans the library has set to expand or rebuild the library. He asked about the possibility of a land swap or a land deal and stated that the original 1985 deed of property from the Park District to the library states that the property the library now occupies will revert to the Park District if the land is ever used for anything other than a library.

Joe Huberty discussed options including incremental building, a two story parking garage and storm water issues.

Chris Gentes asked about the possibility of putting a branch in Round Lake Beach. Jim DiDonato explained that due to the cost of staffing, building and maintaining another facility, it was not feasible for the library.

Tim Pasternak asked how would people be using the Library in 8 – 15 years: "Is the Library still relevant? What are the demographics of our patrons?" Jim DiDonato responded with information from the Community Survey, noting the changing services and continued viability of libraries for the next several decades.

Paul Hollingsworth voiced concerns regarding expansion to the North. His concern is the effect a library site expansion would have on the pool, the trees, the ropes course, the nature trail and storm water management.

Chris Gentes stated the Park District will not provide the library use of land to the north of the library building and asked what would be our #1 wish. Jim DiDonato replied the next request is for the Park District to let the library out of the deed stipulation. Two other options the library board is amendable to discussing include 1.) sale of the library to a mutually agreed upon buyer and mutually beneficial, shared dissemination of proceeds from the sale and 2.) swapping the building and land for another comparably valued Park District property.

Members of the Park District and library boards agreed Jim DiDonato and Bob Newport should view potential properties viable for the library.

Chris Gentes thanked the Library for their presentation and information and stated the Park District Board would be discussing this issue further.

## 8. **Adjournment**

The Library members left the Park District at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Robbyn Allbee,  
Recording Secretary