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**BRIDGEVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
January 12, 2026**

President Marwan Al Safadi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Upon roll call the following Trustees were present: Alice Porfirio, Marwan Al Safadi, Nick Lamnatos and Anna Ziaja-Castillo,

Absent: Betty Martinez and Alice Vilimek

Attendees: Director Chris Sebuck, Assistant Director Kathryn Blessman & Attorney Safaa Zarzour

President Marwan Al Safadi led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2026-001 Motion by Trustee Al Safadi and seconded by Trustee Castillo to approve the agenda.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: 4 Porfirio, Lamnatos, Castillo & Al Safadi

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Vilimek and Martinez

Motion Carried

2026-002 Motion by Trustee Porfirio and seconded by Trustee Castillo to approve Open Session minutes for December 8, 2025.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: 4 Porfirio, Lamnatos, Castillo & Al Safadi

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Vilimek and Martinez

Motion Carried

2026-003 Motion by Trustee Al Safadi and seconded by Trustee Castillo to approve the three consents Agenda Items as Listed:

- a. Approval of Treasurer's Report – December 2025
- b. Prepaid Bills in the Amount of \$183,584.89
- c. Bills in the Amount of \$14,595.96

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: 4 Porfirio, Lamnatos, Castillo & Al Safadi

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Vilimek and Martinez

Motion Carried

o **Directors Report:**

Director Sebuck provided an update on the following:

- Minor leak near the sump pump, LK Construction cleaned the small, contained area.
- LK Construction continues to work on the flooding damage.
- NSS to Foundation Waterproofing to be postponed for the Winter season.
- The open Trustee position is currently posted on the Bridgeview Library website. Should an extension be required, the application deadline will be extended to February 6th.

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- **Attorney Report:**
 - Attorney Safaa Zarzour met with Mayor Landek to discuss the sewer televising project led by Public Works. Mayor will provide a timeline in the next few weeks.

- **Committee Report**
 - Finance – no report
 - Policy/By-Laws – no report

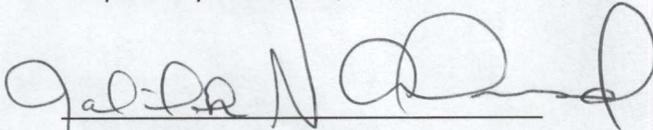
- **Unfinished Business items:**
 - Foundation Waterproofing Discussion and Action – project timeline will be determined for a later day.

- **New Business:**
 - N/A

- **Items for next Agenda**
 - N/A

2026-004 Motion by Trustee Al Safadi to adjourn.
Upon voice vote with all Trustees ayes and no nays:
Motion Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted,

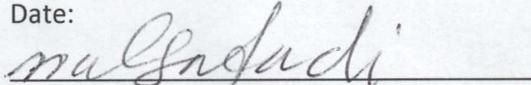


Jalilah N. Ahmad, Recording Secretary

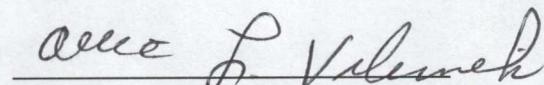
Approved:

02/09/2026

Date:



Marwan Al Safadi, President



Alice Vilimek, Secretary