

VIA Minutes

April 21, 2020

Via Zoom

Attendance: Galvin, O'Connor, Donnelly, Olenick, Fortino, Khu, Gunning, Walker

Colleen Baille Catherine Bushman

Staffing - Baille

City Council wants us to put our staff on furloughs. Governor Lamont said educational employees should be paid, library should be included under that. Council won't accept the fact the endowment is earmarked for capital improvement only. We have used it for purchase of computers, etc. not for salaries, utilities, health care.

Budget – Gunning

Stopping newspaper subscriptions while library closed. We will have to cut hours if we don't get a raise in the budget.

Piantino Library

The city plans on selling the old Forest School to the Acorn Group. We need to send letter to city council to find out what is going on with the sale. If Acorn lets us stay in the building they will want rent at fair market value – could be \$65,000. (\$26 a sqft) We don't have a reason why our much higher bid was rejected.

April 29th – Colleen Baille goes before City Council again. Libraries should be open 50 hours.

Contract

1st year – no salary increase fifty cents/hour for part time

2nd year – 1.6%

3rd year – 1.7%

4th year – 1.8%

Longevity after 10 years, Probation reduced from 10 to 9 months, 20% healthcare contribution, 5% contribution for 401k match up to 5%. Keep part timers above minimum wage.

Sacco scholarship should be moved out of money market

Anyone who would like to checkout the Blake building as a possible location for the Allingtown library should meet at April 23rd at 9:30 am. Building is in the process of being sold to another group. We would also face rent situation.

Adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Walker, Secretary