



**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Springfield City Library Board of Commissioners**

Place: Central Library Community Room

Date: March 2, 2016

Attending: Chairman Stephen Cary, and Commissioners Meghan Lunghi, David Maynard, Timothy Moriarty, and Matthew Reilly

Absent: Commissioners Krysta Fyntrilakis and Lorna Simmons

Staff: Molly Fogarty, Library Director
Jean Canosa Albano, Assistant Director for Public Services
Carol Leaders, Library Business Manager
Janet Stupak, Community Relations (minute taker)

Call to order: Mr. Cary called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Agenda Item	Discussion & Decisions	Action Items
1. Approval of Minutes from the February 3, 2016 Library Commission Meeting	Commissioner Moriarty made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 3, 2016 meeting of the Springfield Library Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Reilly seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed.</u>	
2. Staff Presentation: Ted McCoy	Ted McCoy, Mason Square Branch Library Supervisor, spoke about school age (ages 6-14) creativity programs the library's Elementary Team has been leading, including a variety of "Rock the Stacks" musical programs, a very successful collaboration with Springfield's Community Music School. Out of 400 applications Springfield City Library was one of 75 libraries to receive a grant from the Association for Library Services to Children for funding. The Commissioners especially enjoyed seeing bucket-drumming participants perform via YouTube.	
3. Commission Committee Reports	Chairman Cary took a moment to welcome newly appointed Springfield Library Commissioner David Maynard, an Assistant	



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VP at Santander Bank. Mr. Maynard shared memories growing up in Springfield and time spent here at the Central Library and talked a little bit about himself. Commissioners and staff introduced themselves to Mr. Maynard. There were no Commission Committee reports.

4. Chairman's Report

Mr. Cary spoke briefly about plans for the new East Forest Park Branch Library. The next planning meeting will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 10.

5. Director's Report

Ms. Fogarty reported

- The West Springfield Library Legislative Breakfast will be held on Friday at 7:30 a.m. Commissioners are encouraged to attend.
- Tuesday, March 8 is Library Legislative Day at the State House in Boston. Seats are available on the bus.
- There will be a tour of Springfield's Central Cultural District on Monday, March 7. Senator Lesser is hosting and will be joined by Anita Walker of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and others. The tour will begin in the Central Library Rotunda at 2:30 p.m.
- We are reviewing the final East Forest Park Branch design and will be getting a cost estimate to take to Mayor Sarno.
- There will be an MBLC Workshop on the new construction grant round on March 23 at the South Hadley Library.
- She and Ms. Leaders will meet with Caolo & Bieniek regarding the cost assessment for repairs to the Central Library, including the Quad entrance ramp, the roof and front staircase.



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- There will be a Capital Improvement Committee meeting tomorrow, March 3.
 - Access issues are being resolved at the Library Express at Pine Point building. A “buzzer” has been installed.
 - We are continuing to work with TSM Design and Nancy Urbschat on our rebranding. Consistency, welcoming and friendly are paramount.
 - The Central Library will soon house the WGBY DVD collection - a recent collaboration with WGBY.
 - The City Auditor’s cash-handling audit is in process.
 - Work is continuing on the FY17 budget. All City Departments have been requested to submit a level-service budget request.

Ms. Canosa Albano spoke to the Commission regarding Summer Reading Club and stemming “summer slide.” The Library will collaborate with the Davis Foundation, as well as other community organizations.

6. Other Business

Mr. Moriarty told the Commission that he delivered the gift to recently retired Library Commissioner Vera O’Connor. Mr. Cary read the heartfelt thank you card from Ms. O’Connor.

7. Executive Session

Not necessary.

Adjournment: Mr. Cary adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Lorna Simmons, *Secretary*