NORTHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY AUTHORITY

Building and Grounds Committee MEETING – Held in person and virtually, using Microsoft Teams

December, 16 2024, 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:07 PM – In attendance were Tom Kosmala (Chair), Irene Caliendo (Authority Board President), Dana Getz (Authority Board Vice-President), Amy Steele, Nicholas Yon, Kelley Moten, Alexis McKinley, Robert Lukitsch, Jayme Kostandinu, Kati Coleman, Kim Englert. (Kelley Moten was excused).

II. New Business:

a. New Northland Project
   i. Review of Project Status (Bob Lukitsch & Amy Steele) (20 mins.) Amy announced that steel beams for the interior floor arrived and are being installed, and that the contractor has decided to move up the 2nd floor remodeling to get that finished and out of the way, making it possible that we can get a partial occupancy permit for that space to start using before the rest of the Project is completed. Everything else is still on schedule and the public has been notified of the scheduled lower lot closure when the main structure steel is to be delivered and installed.
   ii. Update on Cafe (20 mins.) – Subcommittee
      1. RFP – Informational sessions for prospective Café partners are being conducted and are expected to wrap up soon.
   iii. Upstairs Rest Room – Bob Lukitsch (10 mins.) Bob announced that a meeting with R3A & consultants on the Rest Room design is scheduled for early January. The expectation is that the restroom will be completed by the Ribbon Cutting ceremony for the new space.

III. Other business – Amy mentioned that we have been made aware that electricity costs are set to rise quite a bit in the second half of 2025.

IV. Minutes from November 12, 2024 meeting (3 mins.) Kim moved approval of the Minutes from the November Meeting and Tom seconded it and the motion to approve passed.

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V. Comments from the Public: (5 mins.)

VI. Adjournment: Irene made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 which was seconded by Amy – the motion passed unanimously.

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