

May 20, 1971

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Skokie Public Library held at 8:30 a.m. May 20, 1971 in the Library.

Members present: Terry Engel, Diana Hunter, Richard Lindberg, Selma Petty, John Wozniak, Rabbi Karl Weiner, also Miss Mary Radmacher, Chief Librarian.

Also present: Messrs. James Hammond, Vincent Cameron, Robert Paoletta, and Harvey Dean.

The purpose of the meeting was to approve change orders in excess of \$1,000. Change orders refer to: (1) limited use of the Village Green; (2) physical restoration of the Village Green; (3) restoration of the parking lot on Galitz Street. Mr. Dean quoted costs as follows: Change order No. 2, \$13,380.50; Change order No. 3, \$18,400.00; Change order No. 4, \$331.33, making a total of \$32,111.83.

Rabbi Weiner said that the Library is faced with the necessity of having to make these changes and pay for them. The problem of what this does to the time schedule is more important financially and harder to evaluate. A loss of approximately two months in time has resulted. The question was asked that if these conditions were changed and more space made available would these costs still be in effect. Answer was that approximately 50 to 70 percent of the additional costs have already been incurred. Rabbi Weiner said it is necessary to look at the total picture and be aware of public opinion. Since the Art Fair will be held late in June no changes could possibly take place until after that time. After discussion, motion by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Dr. Wozniak.

Motion: That this Board approve the payment of the change orders, for this estimate only, as presented at this meeting.

Mrs. Hunter requested the following amendment be added to this motion:

Amendment: That prior to meeting the commitment of these bills examined at this meeting, the Skokie Public Library Board approach the Village Board and explain the situation and see if anything can be expedited as to the future use of the Village Green.

The amendment died for lack of a second.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Terry Engel, yes; Diana Hunter, no; Richard Lindberg, yes; Selma Petty, yes; John Wozniak, yes. Motion carried.

If following the Art Fair there is a change in the use of the Village Green and it results in a saving the contractor will credit the Library.

Mr. Di Leonardi said concerning the matter of the Village Green, he had prepared a short memorandum of agreement between the Library Board and E. W. Corrigan Company which is similar to the agreement the Library Board already has with the Village for restoring the property. The memo read by Mr. Di Leonardi covered proof to ~~the Village we do have the contractor committed to restoring the Village property.~~ Motion by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Dr. Wozniak which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion: That the Skokie Public Library accept the Memorandum of Agreement as read by Mr. Di Leonardi and that the proper officers execute it for the Board.

Motion by Dr. Wozniak, seconded by Mr. Engel which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

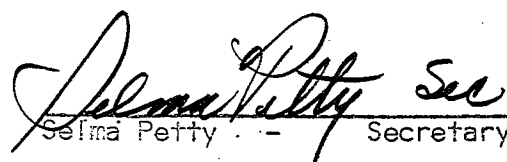
Motion: That the Library Board meet with the Village Board regarding the additional expense incurred and the future use of the Village Green at the earliest possible time.

Another change order in the amount of \$331.33 was executed by the Building Committee.

Mr. Hammond reported that Mr. Di Leonardi and Mr. Cameron had met with the Board of Local Improvements, March 19, regarding the alley to Park Avenue and also the one paralleling the west boundary of the library at the south end.

Rabbi Weiner reported on the meeting the Library Board had May 12 with the neighbors and the Board committed itself to consider their best interests thoroughly. Mr. Hammond suggested that the gain by use of the alley would not offset problems caused by antagonizing the neighbors and the alley could always be opened at a later date. No decision was reached.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.


Selma Petty - Secretary