

**MINUTES**  
**WINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING CLOSED SESSION**

March 10, 2021

Winfield Public Library, 0S291 Winfield Rd., Winfield, IL 60190 & online via ZOOM

The board entered closed session at 7:59 p.m. for the purpose of discussing candidates to fill the open trustee positions per (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 3).

**I. Roll Call**

Present: Brown, Johnson, Tenyak-O'Connor, Kenyon, Hjerpe and Shanahan all attended via Zoom.

Absent: None.

Also present: Matthew Suddarth, library director attended via Zoom but was physically present in the library.

Johnson declared at the beginning of the open session the following: That an in-person meeting or a meeting conducted under [the OMA] is not practical or prudent because of a disaster and therefore the meeting would be held under the conditions allowed by Illinois Public Act 101-0640 amending the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Johnson also determined that all participants in the meeting could hear each other as required by law.

**II. Discussion**

Johnson and Hjerpe reviewed the interview process with the three candidates. Residents Boyd Roberts, Prem Mony, and Lynn Ables had expressed interest. After a lengthy discussion of the candidates, the board decided to conduct a straw poll of the three to see who would be favored for appointment. It was decided that Ables was the preferred candidate and would be nominated to be voted on in open session.

**III. Adjournment**

Hjerpe moved to adjourn the closed session. Kenyon seconded.

Roll call:

Ayes: Brown, Johnson, Tenyak-O'Connor, Kenyon, Hjerpe and Shanahan

Nays: none.

The board returned to open session at 8:59 p.m.