

Village of Peoria Heights  
Public Hearing  
April 6, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone stood for a moment of silence and the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon calling roll, the following Trustees were present: Beth Khazzam, Brandon Wisenburg, and Sarah DeVore. Trustees Sherryl Carter, Diane Mariscal, and Jeff Goett were absent. Others present included Mayor Michael Phelan, Village Administrator and Chief of Police Dustin Sutton, and Village Clerk Stephanie Turner.

Mayor Phelan invited Peoria Heights Public Library Director Mr. Shawn Edwards forward to speak about the Peoria Heights Public Library's budget for the upcoming year. Mr. Edwards explained that the Library plans to open for more hours in the coming summer. The Library's programs will be a hybrid of in person and remote. He also noted there will be more outdoor programs as the weather improves. Mr. Edwards noted that the budget was restricted to little or no increases. He explained most of the cost increases were related to salaries as some employees were still paid minimum wage and the minimum wage would be increasing.

Trustee Carter entered the meeting at 5:35 pm.

Mr. Edwards explained there was also the possibility of emergency expenses, but staff would work to keep costs as low as possible. Mr. Edwards asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked the Board.

Mayor Phelan asked Chief Sutton to review the Village's budget. Chief Sutton thanked Administration and the Board for their work on the budget. He noted the Village will be ending the current fiscal year with a surplus. He explained there were projects the Village would like to complete, but it would continue forward with a conservative budget in case revenues were low due to after effects of the pandemic.

Mayor Phelan opened the meeting to comments from the public. Hearing none, he closed the meeting to public comment.

Trustee Wisenburg made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. Trustee DeVore seconded the motion to adjourn. The Board voted 4-0 to adjourn the public hearing at 5:37 pm.

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Michael Phelan, Mayor

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Stephanie Turner, Village Clerk