

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 6, 2022, 10:00am

Trustees of Public Funds Meeting

Start Time: 10:05am

Attendance: Laura Miner & Courtney Satz (Tanner Romano to abstain from voting/participating in today's session)

October 2021 Funding Request from the Brandon Free Public Library

In October of 2021, the Trustees of Public Funds (TOPF) received a funding request submitted by Molly Kennedy on behalf of the Brandon Free Public Library (BFPL) in the amount of \$50,000 to be paid out incrementally over (3) years, or up to (5) years. During the October 2021 TOPF meeting, the group decided to approve a portion of the original request in the amount of \$10,000 each year for (3) consecutive years.

Several months later following the unanimous decision to fund a portion of the BFPL request, the library formally requested Naylor & Breen to be the general contractor for the project. Though there is not a formal contract in place at this time nor has the donation request been issued, Tanner's involvement with both the TOPF board and Naylor & Breen could be perceived as a conflict of interest. At the recommendation of Mr. Jim Leary, Esq. a revote with remaining board members where Tanner excuses himself from the meeting would be adequate to avoid any perceived conflicts of interest. Tanner has also reached out to Chair of the Select Board, Seth Hopkins, to review and approve. If perceived as a potential conflict, Naylor & Breen would not proceed as general contractor for the BFPL.

The purpose of this meeting today is to revote on the TOPF donation request to the BFPL.

Laura Miner made a motion to approve the original funding request in the amount of \$10,000 for (3) consecutive years. Courtney Satz was in favor, and the motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned 10:10am.