## **Freedom of Information Policy**

- I. A brief description of our public body is as follows:
  - A. Our purpose is to provide materials and services for the recreational, social, informational, and educational needs of the community.
  - B. An organizational chart is attached.
  - C. The total amount of our operating budget for FY22-23 was: \$584,888 The total amount of our operating budget for FY23-24 is expected to be: \$613,547

Funding sources are property and personal property replacement taxes, bond receipts, state and federal grants, other grants, fines, charges, and donations. Tax levies are:

- 1. Corporate purposes (for general operating expenditures)
- 2. IMRF (provides for employee's retirement and related expenses)
- 3. Social Security (provides for employee's FICA costs and related expenses)
- 4. Audit (for annual audit and related expenses)
- 5. Maintenance (for maintaining the building)
- 6. Tort Liability (for insurance premiums, risk management, attorney's fees and related expenses, unemployment and worker's compensation insurance)
- 7. Working Cash (for internal loans)
- 8. Debt Service (for bond and interest payments)
- D. The office is located at this address: 430 N Bradley, Chillicothe, IL 61523
- E. We have approximately the following number of persons employed: 7

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- Full-time 1.
- 2. Part-time
- F. The following organization exercises control over our policies and procedures: Chillicothe Public Library District Board of Trustees, which meets monthly on the 4th Monday of each month, 5:30 p.m., at the library.

Its members are: Carmen Jenkins, President; Shayne Jezek, Vice President; Debbie Cody, Secretary; Tom Razo, Treasurer; Sharon Hollandsworth, Stacey Long, (vacant).

- G. The following organization operates in an advisory capacity regarding our operation: Heyl Roster of Peoria, Illinois. Its members are: Phil Lenzini.
- H. We are required to report and be answerable for our operations to: Illinois State Library, Springfield, Illinois. Its members are: State Librarian, Alexi Giannoulias (Secretary of State); Deputy Director of State Library, Greg McCormick; and various other staff.
- II. You may request the information and the records available to the public in the following manner:
  - A. Use request form.
  - B. Your request should be directed to the following individual(s): Mary Aylmer, or Debbie Cody.
  - C. You must indicate whether you have a "commercial purpose" in your request.
  - D. You must specify the records requested to be disclosed for inspection or to be copied. If you desire that any records be certified, you must specify which ones.

E. To reimburse us for our actual costs for reproducing and certifying (if requested) the records, you will be charged the following fees:

There is a \$1.00 charge for each certification of records.

There is no charge for the first fifty (50) pages of black and white text either letter or legal size;

There is a \$.15 per page charge for copied records in excess of 50 pages; The actual copying cost of color copies and other sized copies will be charged.

- F. If the records are kept in electronic format, you may request a specific format and *if feasible*, they will be so provided, but if not, they will be provided either in the electronic format in which they are kept (and you would be required to pay the actual cost of the medium only, i.e. disc, diskette, tape, etc.) or in paper as you select.
- G. The office will respond to a written request within five (5) working days or sooner if possible. An extension of an additional five (5) working days may be necessary to properly respond.
- H. Records may be inspected or copied. If inspected, an employee must be present throughout the inspection.
- I. The place and times where the records will be available are as follows: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Chillicothe Public Library, Administrative Offices
- III. Certain types of information maintained by us are exempt from inspection and copying. However, the following types or categories of records are maintained under our control:
  - A. Monthly Financial Statements
  - B. Annual Receipts and Disbursements Reports
  - C. Budget and Appropriation Ordinances
  - D. Levy Ordinances
  - E. Operating Budgets
  - F. Annual Audits
  - G. Minutes of the Board of Library Trustees
  - H. Library Policies, including Materials Selection
  - I. Adopted Ordinances and Resolutions of the Board
  - J. Annual Reports to the Illinois State Library
- IV. Per Section 9 of FOIA, any denial may be reviewed by the Public Access Counselor by contacting:

Leah Bartlett, Public Access Counselor Office of the Illinois Attorney General 500 South 2nd Street Springfield IL 62701 public.access@ilag.gov 877-299-3642