

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAUPPAUGE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

March 27, 2023

Hauppauge Public Library

Present

Mr. Julian Aptowitz
Ms. Nayana Mehta
Mr. Ralph Plotke
Mr. John White
Mr. Matthew Bollerman, Chief Executive Officer

Guest

One member of the public

Absent

Mr. Stephen Bard

Mr. Aptowitz called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Aptowitz called on Matthew Bollerman, Chief Executive Officer to present the 2023-24 Proposed Operating Budget that is to be voted on April 4 from 9:30 am to 8:30 pm as part of the Annual Election. Mr. Bollerman shared the activities of the library over the past year, the proposed operating budget for the coming year and the impact to tax payers.

Mr. Aptowitz shared that there is one trustee position open on this years ballot. Steve Bard has been nominated for the open seat.

Motion to suspend the regular meeting in order to hold a public hearing on a proposed resolution for the Library (White, Mehta) passed 4-0.

Mr. Aptowitz called to order the public hearing on proposed resolution authorizing the writing of a procedure authorizing Board members to attend a meeting in extraordinary measures using videoconferencing. Mr. Aptowitz asked Mr. Bollerman to speak about the resolution. One member of the public spoke about the opportunities to promote more participation at meetings and was in favor of the resolution.

Mr. Aptowitz having no written testimony or further input closed the hearing.

Motion to resume the regular scheduled meeting (Mehta, White) passed 4-0.

Motion to accept the Minutes of the February 27, 2023 Board Meeting (Mehta, White) passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report

The Chief Executive Officer reviewed the reports with the Board.

Motion to accept the March 27, 2023 operating warrant \$234,349.03 (Plotke, Mehta) passed 4-0.

Correspondence

None.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Hauppauge Flea, happening on Saturday, April 22 from 10 am to 2 pm has had 64 people register for a spot. This inaugural market will also have a DJ, crafts for children, two food trucks, paper shredding and shed the meds. The Chief Executive Officer shared information about annual sexual harassment prevention training, attendance at Advocacy Day in Albany, State budget news, the Town of Islip call for a Comprehensive Plan, Friends of the Library meeting, National Library Week, April 23 to 29 and preparations for the summer reading program. Mr. Bollerman spoke about the ongoing key performance indicators work and the new Action Plan. He shared the latest on the new carpet installation, outdoor signage meeting and outdoor lighting.

Committee Reports

None.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Motion to adopt the resolution authorizing written procedures governing videoconferencing by Board members (Plotke, Mehta) passed 4-0.

Motion to adopt the procedures governing videoconferencing by Board members (Plotke, White) passed 4-0.

Period for Public Expression

Question asked about access to Veterans Memorial Highway/Spartan Lane monument sign. Could it be used better to highlight the Library?

Personnel Report

Motion to accept March 27, 2023 report (Plotke, Mehta) passed 4-0.

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General Discussion

None.

Executive Session

None.

Motion to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. (White, Mehta) passed 4-0.