

Plattekill Public Library
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: William Farrell, President; Joseph Egan, Vice President; John Reynolds, Trustee; Mark Cambalik, Trustee; Darren Lanspery, Director; Mayleen Torres-Rivera, Bookkeeper
Donna Ebanks, Secretary

Excused: Jasmine Vazquez; Trustee; David Padilla, Trustee

Guest: Betty Diorio

President Will Farrell informed the Board that Trustee Phil Johnson has submitted a letter of resignation from the Plattekill Library Board, effective immediately. Phil expressed gratitude for having had the opportunity to serve and wished the Board continued success.

W. Farrell introduced guest Betty Diorio. Ms. Diorio spoke with the Board about her previous experience as a library trustee and said that she would be interested in joining the Board in the future.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: A letter was received from the Town of Plattekill inviting the library to participate in the Memorial Day Parade. The Friends plan on participating and others are invited to join the Friends as well.

Financial Report:

The Treasurer's report was read and discussed.

- Motion to approve the February payroll was made by M. Cambalik and seconded by J. Egan. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- Motion to approve the checks pending audit was made by D. Padilla and seconded by J. Egan. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- Motion to approve the following recommended transfers from the savings account: \$1000 to the M&T debit card account; \$10,000 to the corporate checking account; \$20,000 to the corporate payroll account was made by J. Reynolds and seconded by M. Cambalik. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Secretary's Report:

- Motion to accept February 8, 2023, Regular Board Meeting minutes was made by M. Cambalik and seconded by J. Reynolds J. Egan abstained; all others were in favor and the motion passed.

Director's Report:

The Director's report was read and discussed.

- Outdoor sign sample display is scheduled for 6 pm, on April 12, before the start of the Board meeting
- Baseball field is now open for reservations by outside groups
- Darren attended Library Advocacy Day remotely on February 28 and met with Assemblyman Jacobsen and Senator Hinchey's aide. This meeting allowed for an opportunity to invite both to the library's 50th-anniversary celebration set for September 9, 2023
- Library was awarded funds in the amount of \$850 from the Stewart's grant we applied for. This funding is for the children's summer reading program
- The setup of fine free Children's items is in progress by MHLS and will be functional soon
- We applied for a learning and appreciating nature grant from the Mid-Hudson Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club
- Library's law enforcement policy was sent to the attorney for review
- We are participating in Plattekill Elementary School's STEAM event on March 30th
- Two computers have been upgraded with SSD drives to increase their speed
- Passes for the Museum of Natural History, Empire Pass, and Motorcyclepedia have been added for patron use and can be checked out at the library. Ten additional museum passes are also available and can be reserved and printed out from home

Committee Reports:

The Technology Committee met on February 13, and the Plans & Operations Committee met on March 2. As Chair of both committees, Mark Cambalik briefed the Board. Minutes from each meeting were distributed.

Will Farrell discussed with the Board the status of the current CD investments.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

The 2022 Annual Report was distributed to all Trustees for their review. Darren noted that this report indicates a 40% increase in circulation from the previous year.

→ Motion to accept the Annual Report was made by W. Farrell and seconded by J. Egan; all were in favor and the motion passed.

President Will Farrell addressed the vacancy on the Board due to Phil Johnson's resignation. Will noted that members of the public interested in being a trustee were welcome to reach out to the Board.

Adjournment: → Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Board Secretary
Donna Ebanks