

Plattekill Public Library
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: William Farrell, President; Joseph Egan, Vice President; Mark Cambalik, Trustee; David Padilla, Trustee; Betty Diorio, Trustee; George Hickey, Trustee; Darren Lanspery, Director; Mayleen Torres-Rivera, Bookkeeper; Donna Ebanks, Secretary

Excused: Trustee John Reynolds

Guest: Southern Ulster Times Reporter

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: None

Financial Report:

The Treasurer's report was read and discussed.

- Motion to transfer funds from the CD that is maturing on September 12, as follows: \$100,000 to the contingency fund and \$100,000 to the savings account made by J. Egan and seconded by G. Hickey. All in favor: motion passed.
- Motion to approve the purchase order for Capital Electric in the amount of \$3,600 made by J. Egan and seconded by G. Hickey. All were in favor: motion passed.
- Motion to approve the August 2026 payroll made by M. Cambalik and seconded by G. Hickey. All in favor: motion passed.
- Motion to approve payment of the bills pending audit made by D. Padilla and seconded by M. Cambalik. All in favor: motion passed.
- Motion to approve the recommended transfers from the savings account: \$10,000 to general checking; \$25,000 to the payroll account; and the following transfer from the M&T contingency account: \$10,000 to the capital savings account; made by D. Padilla and seconded by B. Diorio. All in favor: motion passed.

Secretary's Report:

- Motion to accept the August 12, 2026, Regular Board meeting minutes, amended to include Betty Diorio as present, made by M. Cambalik and seconded by D. Padilla. G. Hickey abstained. All others in favor: motion passed.

Director's Report:

- New electrical box was installed, and everything appears to be working well
- New stairlift is scheduled for installation on Monday, 9/14
- Septic installation – waiting to hear from Green Meadows on a start date
- **Summer Reading Program** - Our final numbers for the Summer Reading Program:

- 209 total individuals registered in the following categories: Children – 149; Teens – 33; Adults – 27. A combined total of 2,399 books were read during the summer reading program which ran from June 18 to August 20
- We attended Hurds Farms for their community day event and promoted the library and Friends group. Donna had a nice crowd of children in attendance for a special orchard storytime
- Public forum on the proposed new building will be held on 9/21 at 6 pm

Committee Reports:

- Plans & Operations met on August 31; chair Mark Cambalik briefed the Board.

Unfinished Business Discussions:

- New Septic system
 - 2026-27 Health insurance renewal (starts 12/1/26)
- Motion to approve the CDPHP HDHHMO Qualified 327 Silver plan for an annual premium of \$57,877 made by J. Egan and seconded by M. Cambalik. All in favor: motion passed.

New Business Discussions:

- Budget Vote/Election Timeline Items:
 - Absentee ballots available as of September 1
 - Confirmed: Election Inspectors; Chairperson of the Election; Notary
 - Plattekill Day
 - Removal of non-functioning A/C units
- Motion to approve AOPR Construction LLC, to remove 3 non-functional air conditioners from the library and repair the wall, including framing, insulation, and drywall or other interior finish, as well as siding for the exterior wall at a total cost of \$1,800, was made by W. Farrell and seconded by M. Cambalik. All in favor: motion passed.

Adjournment: → Motion to adjourn at 8:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Donna Ebanks
Board Secretary