

**Mount Laurel Library
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 P.M.

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION: Provided by Mr. Marks

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:

Mr. Marks stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was provided by way of the Burlington County Times, the Central Record, and the Mount Laurel Sun, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

ROLL CALL:

Dennis Marks - present
Noreen Duffey - present
Karen Cohen - present
Marie Kromplewski - present
Gina Acerbo - present
Stephanie Sawyer – present
Kurt Folcher - present
Diane Blair - present
Walter Stridick - present

ALSO PRESENT:

John Armano, Esq.
Becky Boydston
Gayle McCormick
Stephanie Knox-Piratzky, CART Service Provider

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Approval of October 18, 2017 minutes of meeting:
Motion: Ms. Sawyer, 2nd Mr. Stridick
Roll Call: 8 yes votes, 1 abstention

APPROVAL of BILL LIST and BILL LIST ADDENDUM:

Motion to approve all bills: Ms. Kromplewski, 2nd Ms. Duffey
Roll Call for all bills except Acerbo's Auto Trim & Lettering: 7 yes votes, 1 abstention
Roll Call for payment to Acerbo's Auto Trim & Lettering: 6 yes votes, 2 abstentions including Ms. Acerbo

REPORT from LIBRARY STAFF:

New Tables and Chairs

Included in the bill list was a deposit check for new furniture to replace old, worn pieces. Receipt of the new tables and chairs is expected in a few weeks.

Staff Day

The agenda for December 5th Staff Day has been set. Almost all members of the library staff plan to attend.

Parking Lot Improvement Project

Mr. Marks inquired about the status of parking lot improvements. Ms. Boydston replied that Mr. Long of the Alaimo Group has been in contact and the project is still slated to begin in the Spring of 2018.

Since the Library Construction Bond was approved on November 7th there may be an opportunity to apply for matching funds for this construction project. Ms. Boydston will investigate this possibility once the application process is promulgated.

Ms. Cohen requested consideration be given to including an electric vehicle charging station when the parking lot is improved. There may be a workplace grant available through the State of New Jersey for this purpose. Ms. Boydston will look into the grant opportunity and will mention the idea to Mr. Long.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2017-39: Vote to Conduct Executive Session

Closed session was proposed to discuss matters involving potential litigation and the session was expected to last about 30 minutes. The vote includes authority for Trustees to take action on coming out of executive session when finished.

Motion to approve: Ms. Blair, 2nd Ms. Duffey

Roll Call: 9 yes votes

Executive session was held from 6:13 PM to 6:37 PM.

RESOLUTION 2017-40: Adopt Change to Maker Space Policy

Ms. Boydston proposed a price list for sale of supplies to be used in the Maker Space. This includes but is not limited to fabric, buttons, 3D printer supplies and other items for which the library intends to recoup the cost of materials from those patrons who use them.

Motion to approve: Ms. Sawyer, 2nd Ms. Duffey

Roll Call: 9 yes votes

RESOLUTION 2017-41: Authorization to Sell Surplus on Better World Books

This is a continuation of periodic effort to remove outdated and otherwise unusable materials (books, DVDs) from the library's collection since the last approval.

Motion to approve: Ms. Kromplewski, 2nd Ms. Acerbo

Roll Call: 9 yes votes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Rhonda Abbott, P.O. Box 4644, Cherry Hill, NJ expressed interest in making public comment but said she requested that the library arrange for a sign language interpreter to be in attendance. She was not satisfied with the CART service interpreter hired by the library. Mr. Armano explained that the CART service was considered an effective means of communication and that two-way communication had, in fact, been established. Ms. Abbott declined further comment inasmuch as she preferred a different type of interpreter.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:54 PM: Mr. Folcher, 2nd Ms. Blair, All in favor