Mount Pleasant Public Library: Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of the Meeting of September 16, 2024

Trustees & Liaisons present:

Kent Anker, Frank Casale, Julie Edwards, Anthony Lohay, Dick Malina, Rebecca Myers, Alexandra Kisielewski, Paul Alvarez (Village Liaison), Thomas Sialiano (Town Liaison),

Also present:

John Fearon, Library Director; Martha Mesiti, Assistant Library Director

Trustees & Liaisons absent:

Mary Ann Quinn

Administrative: Trustee Malina called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

The minutes of the July 18, 2024 Board meeting were approved. Moved by Trustee Myers, seconded by Trustee Casale, and passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:05PM to discuss a personnel matter, on a resolution by Trustee Anker, and seconded by Trustee Casale.

At 7:10PM, the Board came out of Executive Session.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Anker, and seconded by Trustee Myers, that:

It is hereby resolved that, after review, the Library Board approves the following payments for the months of August and September, 2024:

August:

- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds: \$894.87
- Invoices charged against the General fund: \$45,443.81
- Invoices paid via the Library credit card: \$3,735.06

September:

- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds: \$5,530.8
- Invoices charged against the General fund: \$54,439.16
- Invoices paid via the Library credit card: \$978.21

202409-01 The motion passed.

The September Director's Report was reviewed.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Myers, and seconded by Trustee Casale, that:

It is hereby resolved that Director Fearon be authorized to sign the following proposals:

- EMC at \$480 per month for ACM inspection and consulting services
- AG Williams at \$4,320 for painting

202409-02 The motion passed.

After discussion it was moved by Trustee Anker and seconded by Trustee Malina, that:

It is hereby resolved that Director Fearon be authorized to submit an application to the Public Library Construction Grant Program (administered by the New York State Department of Education) for the "Master Plan: Phase 1" project.

202409-03 The motion passed.

2025 Budget

It was agreed that the Finance Committee will meet to review the draft budget and report their recommendation to the Board at the October meeting.

Standing Committees

There was a discussion on standing committees

Museum Pass Program

It was agreed to expand access to the Library's Museum Pass Lending program: from now on all residents of the Town of Mount Pleasant (including those living in the village of Sleepy Hollow and Briarcliff Manor) will be allowed to borrow passes.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Casale, and seconded by Trustee Kisielewski, that:

It is hereby resolved that the following personnel items be approved:

- Vera Santos-Bach be appointed to the position of Substitute Library Clerk, effective September 16, 2024, at the rate of pay specified in the 2024 Authorized Personnel Salary Schedule
- A final lump sum payment of \$151.74 to Tye Castle be approved

202409-04 The motion passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:21PM to discuss a personal matter, on a resolution by Trustee Myers, and seconded by Trustee Anker.

At 8:54PM, the Board came out of Executive Session.

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Trustee Casale moved for adjournment at 8:55PM, seconded by Trustee Kisielewski.

Next regular meeting: Thursday October 17, at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Anthony Lohay