

East Rockaway Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the East Rockaway Public Library Board of Trustees was held on March 23, 2017. President Craig Mollo called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Those members present were President Craig Mollo, Vice President Gary Aue and Trustee Danielle D'Esposito. Also present was Library Director Mary Thorpe. Secretary Cynthia Lark was absent with prior notice.

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Abstract Review

President Mollo presented the Abstract of Audited Vouchers #9a & 10, which were reviewed. Upon motion by Vice President Aue, seconded by Trustee D'Esposito, and unanimously carried, the Abstract was approved.

Line Budget and Trust and Agency Account

President Mollo presented the March Line Budget and the Trust and Agency Report. Both reports were accepted as presented.

Resolution #137 was presented as follows:

Be it resolved that the Library Board of Trustees agrees to transfer \$10,000 from the Consultant Fee line, L00 7410 4000 and into the Service Contract line, L00 7410 4700.

On a motion by Gary Aue, vote was 3 to 0 in favor of Resolution #137.

Motion carried.

Director Thorpe presented the 2017-2018 budget to the board. The budget of \$868,076.00 represents an increase of 0.79% over the 2016-2017 budget. Director Thorpe, along with Trustee D'Esposito will present the budget to the Mayor and Village Board on Thursday, March 30 @ 6:30 pm.

Community Services Account

Director Thorpe reported that there should be less activity to this account in the next fiscal year since the programs and museum passes have been incorporated into the budget. The revenue from the dvds will now be reported as fines. The only deposits to this account will be from the book sales and donations.

Directors Report

Director Thorpe reported on the following:

The new downloadable magazines are off to a great start. We had 123 downloaded in January and 110 in February.

We were able to add The Brooklyn Botanic Garden to our museum pass offerings for only \$125 for the year.

Superintendent of DPW Kevin Conklin offered a plan and design for the landscaping in the rear of the building and asked if we would have the funds to cover it. It should be about \$1000. The board unanimously agreed to the landscaping project.

The coffee sales for the month \$54.50.

Old Business

On a motion from Vice President Aue, seconded by Trustee D'Esposito, the board voted 3 to 0 to amend the by-laws Article II Section 1 to read: "Unless otherwise ordered by the Board, the regular meetings of the Board shall be held once each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Library".

Director Thorpe advised the board that the cost to replace the people counters is approximately \$800.00. It was agreed that we would replace them.

New Business

Director Thorpe would like to implement the plan we had last year for eliminating the \$1 a day fee for the newly released dvds on June 1, 2017. East Rockaway and Lynbrook patrons can borrow the dvds for 1 day at no charge with a \$2.00 per day fee for late returns. The board approved the plan.

Period of Trustee Expression

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

Upon motion by Vice President Aue and seconded by Trustee D'Esposito, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

I hereby certify that the minutes were reviewed and approved at the April 18, 2017 board meeting by the Board of Trustees of the East Rockaway Public Library.

Cynthia Lark, Secretary