

Wallkill Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
August 6, 2018

President Ken Simon called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

Present:

*Brian Ackley, Todd Craner, Lisa Palmer, Debbie Reese, Camille Reid, Ken Simon, Mary Lou Van Aken*

Absent: *Susan Burhans Haldeman, Lynne Diener*

Public participation: None

**2018-8- A** Camille moved and Debbie seconded that we accept the July minutes. Motion passed.

Director's Report: See separate report.

**2018-8-J** This motion to approve a Friends' Operating Agreement was tabled for future discussion. Lisa will look into whether such a document already exists. Debbie said the Friends are interested in becoming a 501(c)(3), and so would need to create their own by-laws, anyway, which might make an operating agreement redundant.

Committees:

Finance Committee/Treasurer's Report:

**2018-8-B** Mary Lou moved and Todd seconded that we approve the July 2018 warrant report. Motion passed.

**2018-8-C** Todd moved and Camille seconded that we approve the second warrant report, which was created to reflect that a check was made from library staff donations for Dennis O'Mara's Scholarship Fund. Motion passed.

**2018-8-D** Debbie moved and Todd seconded that we transfer \$25,000 from Tax Levy Money Market to Key Payroll for August payroll. Motion passed.

**2018-8-E** Mary Lou moved and Todd seconded that we move \$5,000 from Tax Levy Money Market to Key Operating for August bills. Motion passed.

**2018-8-F** Brian moved and Todd seconded that we approve the proposed 2019 budget for this year's Sept. 18 election, which increases the tax levy by 1.5 percent to \$347,704. Motion passed.

**2018-8-G** Camille moved and Brian seconded the annual motion re: the tax cap. Whereas, the adoption of this 2019 budget for the Wallkill Public Library requires a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-C, adopted in 2011; and Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-C expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of 60 percent of qualified board members; now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Wallkill Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for fiscal year 2019 by at least the 60 percent of the board of trustees, as required by state law, on August 6, 2018. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

**Motion 2018-8-H** Motion to give new bookkeeper Valerie LoSardo a raise was tabled for future consideration. Motion will be reconsidered in approximately six months, once employee has had a performance evaluation and gleaned more experience on the job.

**Motion 2018-8-I** The board voted unanimously to approve the master plan proposal submitted by Paul Mays on behalf of Butler Rowland Mays on the condition that two questions are satisfactorily answered: 1) Where in the proposal is the cost for consultants listed? Is it included in the reimbursables? 2) Once construction work begins, how much can be accomplished before the board is legally obligated to make currently inaccessible areas such as the bathroom and downstairs accessible?

Meeting adjourned: 8:57 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Palmer, Library Manager  
Next Monthly Meeting: *Sept. 4, 2018 7 P.M.*