

Galway Public Library, Library Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 15, 2023

In attendance: Board of Trustees: Cate La Barre, Fred Baily, Santina Florio, Jim Hodsoll, Kat McCleneghen, Sue Wemple; Library Director Deb Flint. Absent: Jane Behrens

Meeting called to order by Cate La Barre at 6:32 p.m.

Public Comment

Minutes of Prior Meetings

Motion by Jim Hodsoll, second by Sue Wemple, to accept the minutes of 1/18/23.
Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Sue Wemple, second by Kat McCleneghen, to approve expenditures listed in the registers below:

BSNB General Checking - 1/21/23 - 2/3/23
BSNB General Checking - 2/4/23 - 2/17/23
Operating Grants Checking - 1/21/23 - 2/3/23
Visa - 1/23/23 - 2/17/23
Receipts Log - 1/12/23 - 2/7/23

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Director's Report

Correspondence

Friends' Report

GPL Foundation Report

Standing Committees

Buildings and Grounds
Finance
Personnel
Long-Range Plan
Public Relations

Unfinished Business

Library Policies/Procedures

Equipment

Motion by Fred Baily, second by Jim Hodsoll, to approve the Equipment Policy.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Exhibit & Bulletin Board

Motion by Sue Wemple, second by Fred Baily, to approve the Exhibit & Bulletin Board Policy.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Programming & Meeting Room Policy Revisions

Motion by Jim Hodsoll, second by Fred Baily, to approve the revisions to the Programming & Meeting Room Policy.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Security Procedures

Motion by Sue Wemple, second by Kat McCleneghen, to approve the revisions to the Security Procedures.

Vote: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 1 - Motion carried.

New Business

Employer Identification Number

Motion by Fred Baily, second by Jim Hodsoll, to approve that the Finance Committee pursue the need and establishment of a new Employer Identification Number (EIN).

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Tax Cap Resolution

Motion by Fred Baily, second by Jim Hodsoll, to adopt the Tax Cap Override Resolution 2023-2024. (Document below)

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

2023-2024 Budget Review

Motion by Fred Baily, second by Kate McCleneghen, to approve the budget.

Vote: Yes 5, No 1 - Motion carried.

Fine Elimination

Motion by Jim Hodsoll, second by Fred Baily, to eliminate library fines on overdue materials beginning July 1, 2023.

Vote: Yes 5, No 1 - Motion carried.

Donation

Motion by Fred Baily, second by Jim Hodsoll, to accept the donation of a grandfather clock by William Johnson.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Public Comment

Motion by Jim Hodsoll, second by Sue Wemple, to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0 - Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Santina Florio, Secretary

**Resolution - Tax Cap Override
2023-2024 Budget**

Whereas, the adoption of the 2023-2024 budget for the Galway Public Library may require a tax increase that exceeds the tax cap proposed 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 sixty percent of qualified board members, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Galway Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2023-2024 by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on Wednesday, February 15, 2023.

Moved: Fred Baily Seconded: Jim Hodsoll

Motion adopted by vote of 6 in favor and 0 against.

C. LaBarre

Catherine La Barre
President of the Board of Trustees

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