

Minutes of the Meeting Flint Public Library Board of Trustees Monday, February 10, 2025

NOTE: This meeting was hybrid; it was held both in-person and via Zoom. Meeting minutes are on the Library and Town websites.

Board of Trustees Present: Mark Moreschi, Chair; Susan Piccole, Vice Chair/Secretary; and Kosta Prentakis, and Maria Paikos-Hantzis

Others Present In-person: Justin Sultzbach, Annie Wilton, and Stefanie McKanas, Recording Secretary (on Zoom)

A. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Moreschi called the Library Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 7:01pm.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Minutes from January 13, 2025:
- Mr. Prentakis motioned to accept the minutes from January 13, 2025 as presented. Ms. Paikos-Hantzis seconded the motion, all were in favor.

C. FRIENDS OF THE FLINT (Annie Wilton, Liaison):

- Ms. Wilton stated that the Friends received \$6,800 in donations from the annual census.
- Ms. Wilton stated that the annual FY25 campaign (July through the end of January) has raised \$26,246.04.
- Ms. Wilton stated that February is "Love Your Library Month." The Friends will be hosting candy jar guessing games and will also be giving out \$25 and thank-you notes to each staff member on Valentine's Day.

D. TRUSTEES' REPORT:

1. Essex North Shore Tech. Scholarship/Masco Scholarship: Updates and Amount

- Mr. Prentakis stated that the scholarship funds have been depleted. The Board discussed the possibility of continuing the scholarship for one more year instead of ending it abruptly.
- Ms. Paikos-Hantzis motioned to approve an additional year of scholarship awards, each in the amount of \$1,000, after which the scholarships will be eliminated. Mr. Prentakis seconded the motion. All were in favor, except for Ms. Piccole, who opposed it.

E. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

1. Building Updates:

• Mr. Sultzbach stated that the Library received an email from a resident expressing concern about the lights being left on after hours. Mr. Sultzbach is in the process of obtaining quotes for a new lighting timer system, with one quote being approximately \$40,000.

2. Cultural Council Grant

• Mr. Sultzbach stated that the Library has received a Cultural Council Grant of \$3,333 for programming. He extended special thanks to Jackie, Felicia, and Adrian for applying for the grant.

3. FY26 Operating Budget Update

- Mr. Sultzbach stated the need to identify the funding source for the Library's building maintenance.
- Mr. Sultzbach stated that the Supplemental Collective Bargaining Agreement has been postponed.

4. FY26 Capital Plan Review

- Mr. Sultzbach stated that the Capital Plan meeting is scheduled for March 1st.
- Mr. Sultzbach stated that BCA Architects has completed the conditions assessment and is currently working on a comprehensive exterior survey, laser scan, scope of work outline, drawing package, and cost estimate. Mr. Sultzbach stated that he will inform the Board about the proposed price quote, ensuring the total cost does not exceed \$100,000.
- Mr. Sultzbach suggested holding a potential Zoom meeting with the Board for discussion prior to the Capital Plan meeting on March 1st.
- Mr. Sultzbach stated that the Community Preservation Association may be able to provide some funding for the Capital Project.

H. NEXT MEETING:

• The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Monday, March 10, 2025 at 7:00pm.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Ms. Piccole motioned to adjourn. Ms. Paikos-Hantzis seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Stefanie McKanas, Recording Secretary