



**Minutes of the Meeting
Flint Public Library
Board of Trustees
Monday, March 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, Maria Paikos-Hantzis and Allison Sloan

Others Present In-person: Annie Wilton and Stefanie McKanas, Recording Secretary

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

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from February 10, 2025:

- Mr. Moreschi postponed the approval of the February 10th minutes to the next Board meeting.

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

- Ms. Wilton stated that the Friends received \$2,905 in donations from the annual census bringing the total to \$9,705.
- Ms. Wilton stated that all staff received \$25 and thank-you cards on Valentine's Day. During "Love Your Library Month", the Friends had 172 people vote (115 children, 14 teens, and 43 adults) on the candy jar guessing games. All winners were notified.

D. TRUSTEES' REPORT:

1. Discussion relative to the future of 4 Lake Street (Middleton Fire Station)

- Mr. Prentakis said the Select Board will need to decide what the Town wants to do with the Fire Station—whether to sell it or keep it. They'll also have to figure out if the building will be fully torn down, partially removed, or if the space will be reused down to the apparatus floor. The septic system is shared between the Library and the Fire Station.
- The process of obtaining an engineering study has begun and is expected to take place sometime during the summer.
- If the Fire Station is demolished, and it creates open space and additional parking, CPA funds could potentially be used to support the project.
- The Board agreed to recommend that the Select Board keep the Fire Station under Town ownership. They expressed interest in exploring ways the space could be used to enhance the Library experience for patrons—whether that means repurposing the part of existing building or creating new outdoor use areas.
- Ms. Sloan attended the legislative breakfast with Mr. Prentakis on March 7th, where they discussed the need for support from the Massachusetts Library Trustees Association (MLTA). She also requested to use state aid funds (\$100) to cover the MLTA memberships for the Trustees'. Ms. Sloan informed the Board about an upcoming virtual conversation scheduled for the end of April and encouraged all members to attend. The Board asked to have this topic added to the April meeting agenda. Ms. Sloan will send out additional information about MLTA to Board members.

E. NEXT MEETING:

- The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 7:00pm.

F. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Ms. Piccole motioned to adjourn. Ms. Paikos-Hantzis seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Stefanie McKanas, Recording Secretary