

**Mount Laurel Library
Board of Trustees
Reorganization Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:03 P.M.

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION: Provided by Mr. Stridick

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:

Mr. Stridick stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was provided by way of the Burlington County Times, the Central Record, and the Mount Laurel Sun, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

ROLL CALL:

Gina Acerbo - present
Diane Blair - *absent*
Karen Cohen - present
Noreen Duffey - *absent*
Marie Kromplewski - present
Dennis Marks - present
Stephanie Sawyer - present
Stephen Steglik - present
Walter Stridick - present

ALSO PRESENT:

John Armano, Esq.
Becky Boydston
Gayle McCormick

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE:

All Trustees present were sworn in for 2020 by Mr. Armano.

RESOLUTIONS:

2020-001 Appointment of President of the Board of Trustees

Mr. Marks nominated Walter Stridick as President
2nd Ms. Kromplewski
Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-002 Appointment of Vice President of the Board of Trustees

Ms. Sawyer nominated Marie Kromplewski as Vice President
2nd Mr. Marks

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-003 Appointment of Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Mr. Marks nominated Stephanie Sawyer as Secretary

2nd Mr. Steglik

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-004 Appointment of Treasurer of the Board of Trustees

Ms. Kromplewski nominated Karen Cohen as Treasurer

2nd Ms. Sawyer

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-005 Appointment of Auditor

Mr. Marks nominated Bowman & Company as Auditor

2nd Ms. Kromplewski

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-006 Appointment of Solicitor

Mr. Marks nominated Trimble & Armano as Solicitor

2nd Ms. Sawyer

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-007 Appointment of Labor Counsel

Mr. Marks nominated Capehart & Scatchard as Labor Counsel

2nd Ms. Cohen

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-008 Appointment of Engineer

Mr. Steglik nominated Alaimo Group as Engineer

2nd Mr. Marks

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-009 Appointment of Official Newspapers

Ms. Acerbo nominated the Burlington County Times, Courier Post and Mount Laurel Sun

2nd Ms. Sawyer

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-010 Appointment of Official Depository of Funds

Ms. Cohen nominated Investors Bank

2nd Ms. Sawyer

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-011 Approval of Cash Management Plan

Motion: Ms. Cohen, 2nd Mr. Marks

Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-012 Meeting Schedule for February 2020 - January 2021

Library Trustee meetings will be held the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Steglik, 2nd Ms. Kromplewski
Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-013 Authorization of Various 2020 Vendors

Motion: Ms. Kromplewski, 2nd Ms. Sawyer
Roll call: 7 yes votes

2020-014 Authorization to Purchase Under State Contract

Motion: Mr. Marks, 2nd Mr. Steglik
Roll call: 7 yes votes

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Approval of December 18, 2019 minutes of meeting
Roll Call: 7 in favor

APPROVAL of BILL LIST and BILL LIST ADDENDUM:

Motion: Ms. Cohen, 2nd Ms. Kromplewski
Roll Call: 7 yes votes

REPORT from LIBRARY STAFF:

Study Room Construction

The contractor will begin construction around the middle or end of February. Since their work day begins before the library opens and ends at 3:00 P.M., there will be several hours without construction noise each day.

Meeting Room Divider

The new meeting room divider will be installed next Monday when the library is closed for Martin Luther King Day.

Book Sale

Friends of the Library will conduct their next book sale beginning with a preview night January 29th and conclusion February 1st. Ms. Cohen mentioned that there are many children's books available this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act

Ms. Cohen mentioned that the State Library is finally ready to begin accepting applications for funds made available under the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act which was passed in 2017. Ms. Boydston mentioned that the grants awarded will be \$50,000 for large projects and libraries have to match the award. At this time, all of our large projects have already been completed. Since the

applications will be accepted in two rounds, there will be time to discuss ideas and apply for funds during the second round if any viable projects are identified.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2020-015: Meeting Room Policy Change

Ms. Boyston explained that it became necessary to add more specific language to our existing policy about the definition of educational as it pertains to the use of meeting rooms by outside groups. A patron complained about one organization that purported to hold financial planning seminars but they were less informative and more of an attempt to set up consultation appointments at their for-profit business. A library staff member attended one of the programs and reached the same conclusion.

Motion to approve: Ms. Sawyer

2nd: Mr. Steglik

7 yes votes

RESOLUTION 2020-016: Authorization to Sell Surplus on Better World Books

This is a continuation of periodic effort to remove outdated and otherwise unusable materials (books, DVDs) from the library's collection since the last approval.

Motion to approve: Mr. Marks

2nd: Mr. Steglik

7 yes votes

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:38 PM: Ms. Sawyer

2nd: Ms. Kromplewski

All in favor