

**Mount Laurel Library  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of Board Meeting  
October 18, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

6:01 PM

**FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:**

Provided by Ms. Sawyer

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:**

Ms. Sawyer 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 Courier Post, and the Mount Laurel Sun, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

**ROLL CALL:**

Chris Bleiholder - *Present*

Noreen Duffey – *Present*

Denise Gamble – *Present*

Roger Gibson – *Present*

Kareem Pritchett – *Present*

Susan Rovi - *Present*

Fredda Sacharow – *Present*

Stephanie Sawyer – *Present*

Walter F. Stridick – *Present*

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Ed Campbell, Esq.- Library Attorney

Becky Boydston- Library Director

Lauren Bacon- Library Administrative Assistant

**NATIONAL FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK PROCLAMATION:**

Motion of Approve: Mr. Stridick

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Mr. Pritchett

All in Favor

The Library presented Friends of the Library member Bernadette Garofola with the Proclamation.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES:**

Approval of Meeting September 20, 2023 minutes of meeting:

Motion to approve: Ms. Sacharow

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Duffey

All in Favor

**APPROVAL of the October 13, 2023, BILL LIST in the amount of \$ 94,252.04 and the October 18, 2023, BILL LISTS ADDENDUMS in the amount of \$ 48,976.28:**

Motion to approve: Mr. Stridick  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Gamble  
Roll Call: 7 yes votes

**REPORT FROM LIBRARY STAFF:**

Ms. Boydston has reported that the Friends of the Library has donated \$18,000 to the Library to help fund Hoopla for the remainder of the year. The Friends Book Sale will start with a preview night for members on Wednesday October 25 and continue through October 28. These book sales are the primary way that the Friends raise money for the library.

Ms. Boydston reported that the Mount Laurel Fire Department is using our display cases this month to highlight Fire Prevention Week and advertise the need for volunteers for the Fire Department and EMS. We have partnered with the Fire Department to host a scavenger hunt for the kids and a story time with the firefighters on Saturday, October 14.

Ms. Boydston reported that we will have our annual Halloween Parade on Tuesday October 31 at 4pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

2023-030 AUTHORIZATION TO SELL SURPLUS ON DISCOVER BOOKS

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Sacharow

Roll Call: All in Favor

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Sean Gibson requested more Quidditch programs at the Library.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn at 6:21pm: Mr. Stridick

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Gibson

All in favor