

CVW Long Lake Public Library

BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 6:00 pm

**APPROVED
MAY 14, 2024**

ROLL:

President, Rick Paula	Present
Vice President, Bob Dechene	Present
Vice President of Finance, Donna Furlong	Absent
Secretary, Pam St John	Present
Trustee, Mary Elizabeth Winn	Present

Kristel Guimara, Library Manager
Sue Kunzmann, Clerk

Richard Winn

President Rick Paula called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

AGENDA, MINUTES AND EXPENDITURES:

Approved: On Motion by Bob, seconded by Pam, with all in favor of adopting the **Agenda** for the April 16, 2024 meeting

Approved: On Motion by Bob, seconded by Pam, with all in favor of approving the **Minutes** of the March 19, 2024 meeting

Approved: On Motion by Pam, seconded by Bob, with all in favor of approving the **Expenditures** for the period March 20, 2024 through April 16, 2024

PUBLIC EXPRESSION:

Mary Elizabeth spoke about the wages for the staff. She said that the employees are an asset to the library and believes that each person warrants a 6% increase in hourly rate. The increase would total about \$6,000.

Richard Winn echoed the sentiment, and feels that each employee contributes much to the running of the library.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Kristel has ordered 2 new computers from SALS

The library will be receiving a check in the amount of \$5,000 from SALS for the sump pump. The quote from BJ Queen is \$5,500

Approved: On Motion by Rick, seconded by Pam, with all in favor of approving using up to \$1,500 from code 6550, Capital Fund, to fund the expense over \$5,000

Summer Reading:

The Friends will be hiring a student to work 4 hours a week for 6 weeks to help with summer reading

The Colgate Fellow will work from May until August. All expenses will be paid by Colgate. Kristel will be having a Zoom call with her on April 26, 2024

Past Events:

March 26, 2024 - The Book Fair for the students in school was very well received. The students seemed to enjoy the books that the teachers chose for them

Solar Saturday – April 6, 2024

There was a great turnout of 88 people for the children’s cookie decorating and the last Café Livre with Sherri, Peter and Jack

Upcoming Programs:

May 8, 2024 – Collaboration between Long Lake Association and Adirondack Watershed Institute presenting information on the Lake Steward program

July 5, 2024 – Mark Manske Live Birds of Prey

July 13, 2024 – Christine Campeau Adventures in the Wilderness

July 31, 2024 – Gail Huntley Adirondack Legends

The books have been ordered for the Scavenger Hunt. A portion of the funds came from the SALS Love your Library funds

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PROGRAM:

Pam will contact Jack Warden/Pickle Pie about doing a children’s program this summer

FRIENDS:

Kristel said that the Friends shed will be delivered the first week in May. It will be used as a book sale space.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mary Elizabeth spoke about increasing the tax levy by 5%. The current tax levy is \$160,274, and a 5% increase would be \$168,287.

Approved: On Motion by Rick, seconded by Pam, with all in favor of going into **Executive Session** at 6:40 pm, to discuss the legal issues with Attorney Robert Schofield, who joined the meeting via Zoom

Approved: On Motion by Bob, seconded by Pam, with all in favor of going into **Open Session** at 7:00 pm

Approved: On Motion by Rick, seconded by Pam, with all in favor of approving the **Resolution to Override the Tax Cap**

Approved: On Motion by Rick, seconded by Bob, with all in favor of approving the 2024-2025 **Fiscal Year Budget of \$167,403, of which \$163,708 will be the tax levy**

Approved: On Motion by Rick, seconded by Bob, with all in favor of approving the **Election Resolution** showing the annual levy of \$163,708, and one trustee vacancy and appoints

Micaela Hall and Maxine Rider as Election Inspectors with a compensation rate of \$75 each for those serving

PUBLIC EXPRESSION:

Richard Winn said that if more money was placed in CDs, the wage increases would be covered.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 6:00 pm

Adjournment: On Motion by Bob, seconded by Pam, with all in favor, the Board adjourned at 7:10 pm