
Staff: Angela Gonzalez, Director.

The meeting was called to order at about 6:30 p.m. by Chair Peter Gamba.

Public Comment: No members of the public in attendance.

1. Adoption of Agenda. Deb Connelly moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Rich Stewart. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes of the August 2018 meeting. Diane Krans moved to approve the minutes of the August 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Sandi Perl. The motion passed with five votes in favor of the motion and no votes in opposition. Connie Glover, Peter Gamba, and Kevin McLoud abstained.

3. Approval of Minutes of the October 2018 meeting. Deb Connelly moved to approve the minutes of the October 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Diane Krans. The motion passed with six votes in favor of the motion and no votes in opposition. Connie Glover and Sandi Perl abstained.

4. Payment of the Bills. Rich Stewart moved to pay the bills for October and November 2018. The motion was seconded by Kevin McLoud. The motion passed unanimously.


7. Standing Committee Reports:

A. Finance Committee. Met in November 2018 and provided the Board with a proposed budget for the next fiscal year.


C. Building Committee. No report.


E. Ad Hoc Health Insurance Committee. Met in November 2018 and presented information to the Board regarding the PYPL providing eligible employees QSEHRA (qualified small employer health reimbursement arrangement) coverage.

F. Personnel Committee. Met in November 2018 and discussed QSEHRA and also the library’s pay scale. (Proposal regarding pay revisions are incorporated in the proposed budget for the next fiscal year).

8. Old Business:

A. Going Fine Free: Sandi Perl moved that for the PYPL’s 2019-2020 fiscal year the PYPL not impose any fines for books from the children’s section not returned on time. The motion was seconded by Connie Glover and passed unanimously.

9. New Business:
A. NYSERDA Charge Ready New York Program. Materials were provided to the Board about this program and there was a discussion regarding same. Additional information about our electrical capacity and the ongoing costs will be provided before additional discussion is had on this issue.

B. Personnel Committee Proposed Personnel Policy. Draft of proposed personnel policy was provided to the Board. Discussion and possible vote deferred to next meeting.

C. 990. The Board reviewed the PYPL 990 form for the period 7/1/17 - 6/30/18. Sandi Perl moved that the Board approve the 7/1/17 - 6/30/18 Form 990 submittal. The motion was seconded by Deb Connelly and passed unanimously.

D. 2019-2020 Finance Committee Proposed Budget. As noted earlier, a proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year was provided to Board and discussed. Vote on proposed budget is scheduled for the January 2019 meeting.

E. 2019 Vote Date. Sandi Perl moved that the PYPL budget vote be set for Tuesday, April 9, 2019. The motion was seconded by Kevin McLoud and passed unanimously.

F. Tax Cap Override Resolution: Sandi Perl moved that the PYPL resolve as follows:

Whereas, the adoption of the 2019-2020 budget for the Penn Yan Public Library may require a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and

Whereas General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of the qualified board members;

Now therefore be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Penn Yan Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy for 2019 by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on December 20, 2019.

The motion was seconded by Deb Connelly and passed unanimously.

10. Adjourn. Deb Connelly moved that we adjourn. Diane Krans seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Roberts

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