

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024
BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

PRESENT: Gary Brunjes, Loretta Chillemi, Debbie Young Szala, Sandra Levine,
Anne Lotito-Schuh, Tom Vitale, Director, Cathy Tingo, Board Secretary

GUEST: John Tanzi of John Tanzi Architects

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Brunjes followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation by John Tanzi -

John Tanzi presented a summary of the roof restoration project and made recommendations to the Board. A discussion ensued and John answered questions from the Board.

At 7:10 p.m. John left the meeting.

Minutes –

Motion was made to accept the Minutes of the December 12, 2023 Board meeting.
(Chillemi/Schuh) Unanimous

Treasurer's Report/Warrants –

Motion was made to accept the December 2023 Report, as prepared by Treasurer,
SuzAnne Getz. (Brunjes/Chillemi) Unanimous

Motion was made to approve Payroll Warrants for payrolls ending December 2, 2023 and
December 16, 2023, as prepared by Treasurer, SuzAnne Getz. (Brunjes/Levine)
Unanimous

Motion was made to approve checks numbered 6864 through and including 6945.
(Brunjes/Szala) Unanimous

Director's Report -

The Director presented his report which was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Personnel Report –

Tom advised the Board that a 30-day extension has been granted for the employee being evaluated under a Performance Improvement Plan.

Unfinished Business –

Finance Committee Meeting –

Trustee Chillemi reported that the Finance Committee met to finalize the proposed budget. A discussion transpired. A proposed budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025 will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

New Business –

Annual Trustee Election and Budget Vote –

Motion was made to approve the Notice of Public Hearing, Budget Vote and Election of Babylon Public Library as annexed hereto. (Levine/Schuh) Unanimous

Motion was made to conduct the April 9, 2024 Annual Budget and Trustee Vote by paper ballots. (Chillemi/Levine) Unanimous

Motion was made to appoint Eileen Scudlo as voting chairperson and poll worker at the Vote and Election on April 9, 2024 at a rate of \$200. (Szala/Chillemi) Unanimous

Motion was made to appoint Neil O’Connell, Lowell Simpson and Karen Parrish as poll workers at the Vote and Election on April 9, 2024, at a rate of \$130 each. (Levine/Schuh) Unanimous

Motion was made to appoint Ann Burke, Peter Burke, Donna Jeansonne, Arlette Lowe, Maria McCarthy and Therese O’Brien to the Board of Registration. (Schuh/Chillemi) Unanimous

Snow Removal Proposal –

The Director informed the Board that the snow removal company approved at the November 14, 2023 meeting to provide snow removal services for the library did not show up and clear our parking lot after this week’s snow. After a discussion the following motion was made:

Motion was made to rescind approval of the proposal of Scanapico Landscaping for the 2023-2024 Winter/Spring season approved by the Board at their November 14, 2023 Board meeting. (Brunjes/Szala) Unanimous

Upcoming Meeting -

February 13, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment –

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. (Schuh/Szala) Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Tingo

Board Secretary