

W. H. Walters Free Public Library
1001 East Boulevard
Alpha, NJ 08865
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Date: March 18, 2024

- **The Board of Trustees Meeting for January 22, 2024 is called to order at _7:00_ p.m. in the Library.**

- **Roll Call is taken and a Quorum is declared.** (P=present; A=absent; E=excused)

Susan Billera__P__ Ginny Boyle _P___ Meghan Dragotta __P__ Seth Cohen__E_ Tammy McGee__P__
Stephen Noll _P___ Joseph Schocko _E___
Vacant____ Vacant _____

Holly Thomas__P__

Mayoral Alternate _____

School Alternate ____ Stuart Davis__

- **Reading of the Open Public Meeting Notice by the President**

Adequate notice of the meeting has been provided in accordance with NJ Open Public Meetings Act with the publishing of the annual calendar on our Library Bulletin Board, in the Express Times, on our website<http://alphapubliclibrary.com/> and in the Library.

- **Flag Salute**

- **Motion to approve Susan Billera as Vice President** Motion- Stephen Noll Second- Tammy McGee (All in favor)
- **Motion to approve Meghan Dragotta at Secretary** Motion-Stephen Noll Second- Susan Billera (All in favor)

- **Motion to approve Agenda** Motion -Tammy McGee Second- Susan Billera (All in favor)

- **Motion to approve Minutes as presented**

(July, September, November, and December 2023 Reg. Mtg Minutes, and January 2024 Reg Mtg. Minutes and Re-Org minutes)

(May, July, September, November, 2023 Executive Session minutes)

- Tabled due to not enough members to vote.

- **Guest Speaker/Programs** –None

- **Opportunity for Public Input-** Mo Ferretti- Introduced herself. She is involved in the Hunterdon County Library System and is Library Advocate.

- a. Welcome new appointments to Library Board of Trustees.
- b. Vote on By-Laws if all members are present. -Tabled since School Alternate is present in place of Seth Cohen.
- c. Resolution 2024-07 (Dismissal of missing 2016 minutes) Mayor Dunwell was going to recoup these minuets for us but never did. Steve Noll is the only member still on the board. Motion- Stephen Noll Second- Susan Billera (All in favor)
- d. Borough payment of \$30,178.23 of withheld library tax appropriations for 2022-2023.

- **Treasurer's Report-**

- e. Bill/Check Approval: February and March 2024

- February Checks- \$785.62 Motion- Susan Billera Second- Tammy McGee (All in favor)
 - March Checks- \$1619.25- Motion – Tammy McGee Second- Susan Billera (All in favor)

- Baker & Taylor (Books & Dvd's)- \$237.18
 - Hearst Magazine- \$7.97
 - Toshiba (Copy Machine Lease) \$23.01
 - OTC Brands Inc (Program Supplies) \$51.09
 - Bibliotheca LLC (Contract for System) \$1300

- f. Budget vs. Actual (No Budget back yet)

- g. Financial Report Approval: Motion___Seth Cohen_____ Second___Susan Billera_____

- **Correspondence-** None

- **Internal Library Committee Reports –** None

- **Library Director's Report-**

- Eyes of the Wild Program- Went Well

- Dog Reading with Jane Nagy is back. Starting on March 26, 2024 from 4pm-5pm
 - Back to School Drive- August 15-16 One in the morning one in the afternoon
 - Book Club is going well.

- **Mayor's Report-** Thank you for coming back to the Library Board for those returning and thank you to our new members for joining. We are looking forward to moving forward and I am very happy.

- **School Principal's Report-**

- Parent Grandparent Day is on April 12th. It will be a learning fair for each grade level followed by our Spring concert.
 - Our last day of School before Break in March 27th and it is a half day. We come back into session on Tuesday, April 2.
 - Board of Education is considering adding a day onto the calendar during either Spring Break or Memorial Day Weekend so that we do not end school on a Monday. A new calendar will be issued by the end of the week.

- **Motion to approve all committee reports.** Motion- Susan Billera Second- Steve Noll (All in favor)

- **Opportunity for Public Input-** None

- **Old Business –**

- a. Minutes for 2016. (Removed)
 - b. Bylaws- Tabled

- **New Business –**

- a. Update Library Policies. – Holly will send out an email to schedule a meeting to update Library Policies.

- **Motion to Adjourn:** Motion- Tammy McGee Second- Susan Billera Time- 7:25pm