

**Mount Pleasant Public Library: Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of the Meeting of February 15, 2024**

Trustees & Liaisons present: Mary Ann Quinn, Julie Edwards, Rebecca Myers, Kent Anker, Paul Alvarez (Village Liaison)

Also present:

John Fearon, Library Director; Martha Mesiti, Assistant Library Director

Trustees & Liaisons absent: Dick Malina, Eric Neuman, Frank Casale, Thomas Sialiano (Town Liaison)

Call to Order

Administrative: Trustee Myers called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Minutes

The minutes of the January 18, 2024, Board meeting were approved. Moved by Trustee Anker, seconded by Trustee Edwards, and passed.

Opportunity to Hear from the Public: There were no members of the public in attendance.

Opportunity to Hear from Liaisons: Village Liaison Alvarez reported that the Village Board had discussed the Library's Master Plan proposal in executive session and that it was on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

Claims of Payment

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Anker, and seconded by Trustee Edwards, that: It is hereby resolved that, after review, the Library Board approves the following payments for the month of February, 2023:

- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds: \$895.00
- Invoices charged against the General fund: \$65,004.17
- Invoices paid via the Library credit card: \$1,089.63

202402-01 The motion passed.

Directors Report

Director Fearon reported that Library finances, use, and circulation statistics remain strong. The Library ended the 2023 fiscal year with a surplus, which will be moved to the Library's reserve

funds. Having encountered a problem with Google treating its web address as spam, the Library was able to move its servers to get around the issue. Director Fearon recently met with members of the Garden Club, who would like to revitalize the garden in front of the windows, on the parking lot side of the Library. The Library will take into consideration the Garden Club's proposal to create a new "Golden Garden" on the far back corner of the parking lot. Finally, Director Fearon discussed the generally positive response the Town and Village gave to the Master Plan proposal when David Smyth presented his phased plan to them last month.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Myers, and seconded by Trustee Anker, that:

It is hereby resolved that the following personnel items be approved:

- Lucille Kenny's appointment to the position of Library Clerk, Special Assignment, be made permanent effective February 19, 2024

202402-02 The motion passed.

New Business

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Edwards, and seconded by Trustee Quinn, that:

It is hereby resolved that four AWE Early Literacy Stations, purchased in 2017, be declared surplus to requirements and discarded. Director Fearon is authorized to donate this equipment to a non-profit organization.

202402-03 The motion passed.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Myers, and seconded by Trustee Anker, that:

It is hereby resolved that, construction permitting, PLY be authorized to use the Library's facilities more than four times in 2024

202402-04 The motion passed.

Trustee Anker moved for adjournment at 8:01 pm, seconded by Trustee Quinn.

Next regular meeting: Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Quinn

Secretary